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## Lasting marriages

A REPORT FROM THE FIELD





## PROLOGUE

# Clueless

I did not begin to read Jane Austen until I was in my late twenties and fell for a woman who had the habit, who regularly tramped through the complete works. Not wanting to be left behind, I took up *Pride and Prejudice* at my earliest opportunity, read six pages and fell asleep.

Nearly two decades later, I am managing most of the time to keep pace with the woman who loves Austen, but still haven't escaped Chapter 3 of *Pride and Prejudice*.

There, you may recall, is where we first set eyes on the amiable and vacant Bingley and his dark twin, Mr. Darcy. The last time I sallied out to the dancing party was about 10 years ago. I had no trouble getting to the ballroom and finding a comfortable viewing station beside the punchbowl. Miss Jane Bennet whirled by in Bingley's well-tailored arms. Darcy, standing alone, gazed at the ceiling and sniffed as though he'd apprehended a mildly distasteful odor. Miss Elizabeth Bennet slowly roamed the room, eyes ablaze, noticing everything. The next thing I knew I was coming to in a wing chair on a Saturday afternoon in the 20th century, a boy standing over me, asking if I was sitting on his Batman figures.

I set *Pride and Prejudice* aside soon afterwards. I did so to save my marriage. I had become aware that, while marriage was my necessary state of being, its workings were and will forever remain a mystery to me. I knew in the bone how brothers were brothers, how fathers and daughters comprehended each other, and how cousins remained cousins even if they only met at funerals and by accident on the main drag at Disneyworld.

But how husband and wife became and stayed husband and wife was another thing entirely: an airplane in the night sky, a juggler rotating eight bowling balls and a chain saw, a microwave oven. I could believe my eyes, but I could never hope to understand.

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The mind, however, won't admit of not understanding, but develops, when it can, its own chain of reason. (a) I had not read *Pride and Prejudice* until I met my wife. (b) I had been stalled in Chapter 3 ever since. (c) We had been together ever since. Therefore, the unfinished *Pride and Prejudice* was a thing that sustained our marriage. I haven't picked up the book since.

Marriage, however, is a perilous occupation, and it takes more than one unread book to hold everything together. Here are some other ways in which I safeguard my relationship with Mrs. Birnbaum. I don't mention her given name in my writing. I don't wear a wedding band. (Before I realized how important this was, I didn't wear a ring because we were sufficiently poor that we could afford only one piece of jew-

elry between us.) I misremember our anniversary date (and also our children's birth dates, which so far seems to have kept them healthy and well-mannered). I don't read things that want to tell me how men and women are different from each other. I never count the years we've been married, though I'm aware that the number lies somewhere between 16.5, the age of our oldest child, and infinity. When asked how long it's been, I allow my mind to become a vast Siberian tundra, a trick I learned while under fire in high school trigonometry. And finally, I never talk or write about marriage unless I am confident that what I say will be of no practical use to anyone who happens to hear or read it.

Some months ago, I was sitting in a restaurant during the lunch rush. Nearby, a twentysomething young woman was explaining her parents to another twentysomething young woman. "Around our house we say that she saved his life," the young woman volunteered. Her friend was puzzled and asked for an explanation. I saw the first young woman hesitate, as if contemplating what needed to be said and whether she was capable of saying it and if there was enough time even on a summer day to say it. "I guess you had to be there," she finally shrugged.

My wife has saved my life, and I hope that I have on occasion saved hers. If you've been there, you know what I mean. If you haven't, you may need to put down that Jane Austen. Our report from the field begins on page 32.

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**LETTERS**

**IN THE SPIRIT**

The article "Spirituality lite" [Summer 1995] was refreshing, informative, lively, intelligent and balanced. I enjoyed the overview given to this subject and haven't seen it done anywhere else as well—or at all, in fact.

ELINOR DONAHUE  
*Devon, Pennsylvania*

"Spirituality lite" was not only a great read but also an important service from Boston College. At a time when most public "thought" about our spiritual lives seems to come from TV talk-show hosts, political figureheads and anyone capable of yelling "holier than thou" in front of the media louder than the rest of us, it is great to see experience and learning brought to bear on an issue that has many of us thinking and that deserves consideration. Why, at the end of the 20th century, have these books become so popular? There is a deep-seated insecurity in our culture, in spite of the wealth many of us enjoy. Editor Ben Birnbaum wrote about "Where God lives" [Prologue, Summer 1995]. Thanks for remembering where people live, too.

MELISSA T. NOLAN  
*Atlanta*

Thanks for the conversation "Spirituality lite." I am one of several folks in my area who are trying to form an ecumenical spiritual discussion and support group, and the article helped us eliminate several of our most obvious book choices. We're all seekers who want to understand one another's faith traditions as a way of enriching our own spiri-

tual lives. A follow-up article offering suggested readings would be deeply appreciated.

BETH RAMOS, MA'89  
*Holliston, Massachusetts*

*Editor's note:* We put Ms. Ramos's question to each of the participants in our "Spirituality lite" discussion. Their responses, in no particular order, included the following: *The Imitation of Christ*, Thomas á Kempis; *Contemplation in Action: A Study in Ignatian Prayer*, Joseph F. Conwell; Psalm 139; *Encounters with Silence*, Karl Rahner; *Passion for Truth*, Abraham Joshua Heschel; St. Paul's Letter to the Romans, Chapter 8; *The Sufis*, Idries Shah; *Interior Castle*, St. Teresa of Avila; *Confessions*, St. Augustine; *Aelred of Rievaulx's Spiritual Friendship*; *Divine Comedy*, Dante; *Holiness*, Donald Nicholl; *Enneads*, Plotinus; *Souls on Fire*, Elie Wiesel; *Letters and Papers from Prison*, Dietrich Bonhoeffer; *The Lord*, Romano Guardini; *The Lord of History*, J. Danielou; *An Anthology*, Josef Pieper; *The Lonely Man of Faith*, Joseph Soloveitchik; *Early Christian Biographies*; *Butler's Lives of the Saints*; *The Presence of God: A History of Western Christian Mysticism*, Bernard McGinn; *The Practice of the Presence of God*, Br. Lawrence; *Tales of the Hasidim*, Martin Buber; *Living Flame of Love*, St. John of the Cross; *Silent Music*, William Johnston, SJ.

A serious review of pop psychology books, no matter how many copies in print, is beneath the scholarship of the most junior of junior colleges. Your tape-recorded discussion, even though edited for "highlights," indicates

that those participating perhaps should find jobs in another profession or at the very least be asked to take the courses in Aristotelian scholastic philosophy and theology that undergraduates prior to the 1960s were required to complete.

It is reported, sadly, that Scott Peck's *Road Less Traveled* is included as part of Boston College's capstone courses. Might I suggest a substitution? The Book of Proverbs has out-sold Peck and would be of far greater value in focusing undergraduates on the challenges of life in the fast lanes they live in today.

JACK FALVEY '60  
*Londonderry, New Hampshire*

**IN THE IMAGE**

I was pleased and surprised by the article "Where God lives," quoting Rav Menachem Mendel of Kotzk. I was also impressed by the [interview] "Sin deep: the origins of anti-Semitism." As a survivor of many different [concentration] camps, I was very moved by David Tracy. Only articles such as these will bring us closer together. We are all born in the image of God. Many thanks.

GREGOR SHELKAN  
*Newton, Massachusetts*

I am pleased that you dwelt upon Rabbi Menachem Mendel of Kotzk, a special favorite of mine. In Elie Wiesel's *Souls on Fire*, I read how Mendel put his disciples into such terror that they would leap out the nearest window. A foolhardy student asked the rebbe, "How is it you say we



should fear God—isn't He our loving father?" Roared Mendel, "Son, you must fear God as if He were a devouring lion!"

LFO SIMON '63, MA '69  
*Cape Coral, Florida*

## MY GENERATION

Jan Wojcik's "The return of the Weston 11" [Summer 1995] struck a nerve with me. I feel like the 12th man. Although an ex-Jesuit for more than 25 years, I still miss community life to a degree. My six years of formation during the 1960s continue to guide me. The empowerment of the laity through the Second Vatican Council clearly influenced my decision to leave the Society, but my frustration with the vow of obedience had a greater impact. At age 50, I find that the challenge to make a difference in the "community" in which I live remains strong.

GEORGE EAGAN GINTHER '69  
*Buffalo, New York*

I had just returned from visiting Campion Center in Weston during my summer vacation, when I read "The return of the Weston 11," which brought so many of my memories flooding back. While walking at the center, my 10-year-old daughter and I saw the cinder-block handball court a group of Jesuit wannabe worker-priests had built with our own hands in the summer of 1965. It was still standing tall, a monument to the ability of philosophy scholars to playact at being construction workers and succeed.

I was one of the New York Province "exiles" at Weston from 1963 to 1966. We were the first wave, to be followed by the novitiate exodus. The New England Latin wits remarked of us: "*designatus et desolatus ex provincia Neo Eboracensis*." Which was a Bostonian's wry way of remark-

ing how miserable anyone from New York was when more than 500 feet from Times Square. I often told my New England brothers that I had left a province that considered me a staid conservative and, without my changing a single opinion, arrived in a province that considered me a lunatic liberal.

At the time, the Vatican II debates were ringing in the seminary's air, part of what *Time* magazine glibly defined as "a nervous breakdown in the Mystical Body," which in its own way helped predict the future exodus of seminarians and priests from the Church's ranks.

I was a close friend of Paul Quinlan, mentioned in Jan Wojcik's article. I wrote the lyrics to his musical rendition of the Magnificat, which is still found in some hymnals. I remember a contest to name the singing group that eventually became The Good News Singers. I had suggested the S-Jays and was politely told it was juvenile.

I left the Jesuits in 1975, and although my years at Weston were full of happy memories, I had to choose between marriage and my commitment to the Jesuit Order. Personally I believe the Church and the Order would be much richer and more Christlike if there was a place for married priests and their families in a sanctioned services role.

RONALD A. SARNO '65, MA '66  
*Ridgewood, New Jersey*

## STRONG MEMORIES

The article on the Nuremberg Trials ["Silence and dust," Linden Lane, Summer 1995] reminded me that I was in Nuremberg during the spring of 1946 as a member of the 116th General Hospital Division. I went to the trials three times. I remember the Russians presenting evidence of inhumane treat-

ment of prisoners of war. And I remember a snapshot of three partisans hanged—by wire around their necks—from a telegraph pole. One was a girl. On the snapshot was written "*Frühling in Jugoslavien*"—springtime in Yugoslavia. Your article recalled these things that I had forgotten.

ARTHUR M. MORRISSEY '29  
*Medford, Massachusetts*

## INSTRUMENTAL

Finally! You found someone with some soul. Peter Callahan '96, ["Deliverance," Summer 1995] is an instrument for something very special, as Sister Judith Mountain contends in Bruce Morgan's article—current BC students should listen to him and feel blessed by the time they get to spend with him.

JONATHAN DUNNICLIFFE '90  
*Cambridge, Massachusetts*

## IMPERFECT WORLD

It was certainly a disappointment to read Fr. Monan's letter ["The decision," Linden Lane, Summer 1995] denying the request for formal recognition of a lesbian, gay and bisexual student organization at Boston College. In a perfect world we could dismiss the institutionalization of such groups as "singularly reductionist." It is not a perfect world, though. And for students struggling to define their sexual identity, it is a hostile and frightening world.

Most of the discrimination and harassment faced by gay and lesbian students is of a character too subtle and insidious (and often perpetrated by society as a whole) to fall under the jurisdiction of the University's disciplinary policies, however nobly stated those policies may be. That is why formal recognition

is so important symbolically. It would send an unambiguous message of acceptance both within and beyond the Boston College community.

BENJAMIN STEINSIECK '91  
*Burlington, Vermont*

## GUT FEELING

I don't know what article J.R. Breton '57, read [Letters, Summer 1995], but it obviously gave him enough heartburn to turn him into a literary critic on the spot. Heartburn, however, appears to be his only qualification. He should read more widely—one of [David] Plante's early novels, for example—and learn the great deal about Canuck culture that he doesn't know or chooses not to see. Or perhaps he just ought to take some Maalox and lie down awhile.

I thought Plante's memoir ["Native son," Spring 1995] was splendid (more interesting, in fact, than his *New Yorker* article on Harold Acton, which appeared at about the same time).

LISA BOUDREAU RYAN  
*San Francisco*

*Editor's note:* Author David Plante '61, writes from London:

"Franco-Americans are indeed wonderful people, but, alas, some of them have faults, which are: vain boasting, bearing grudges (especially against the Irish for dominating the Church in New England), willful refusal to see the truth about themselves, bitterness and jealousy ("*Cette mandite jalousie canayenne*," as my mother used to say), all of which Mr. J.R. Breton, '57, reveals in his letter."

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LINDEN LANE

# The touch of class

**An encyclopedic study of Americans' participation in democracy  
finds that not all voters are created equal**

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BY ED HARDY

Americans may enjoy imagining that theirs is a classless government. But a major new study of citizen participation indicates that political activism in the United States is influenced by a cluster of factors—including class and education. As a result, some voices in American society are amplified, and others are muted or even silenced. *Voice and Equality: Civic Voluntarism in American Politics* is a 600-page, nearly encyclopedic attempt to unravel the Gordian knot of American political participation. Published by Harvard University Press this fall, the book caps an eight-year, million-dollar research project by three political scientists: Professor Kay Schlozman, who has taught at BC since 1974; Sidney Verba of Harvard and Henry E. Brady of the University of California at Berkeley.

For the past three decades, every November the media have lamented the flagging voter turnout. In the last presidential race about half of the electorate voted, which had many pundits speculating that Americans have lost interest or faith in the political system. Schlozman disagrees. The decrease in voter participation that began in 1964 or so has stalled, she says, and may even be on the rebound. She and her colleagues found that other forms of activism are actually on the rise.

For their study, the researchers first interviewed 15,000 people by telephone. Then they conducted lengthy interviews with 2,500 of those people—a group chosen to include Latinos, African Americans and citizens whose civic involvement went beyond voting: for example, people who had contacted a legislator, served on a local board, taken part in a protest or given money or time to a cause. Funding for the project came from the National

Science Foundation, the Spencer Foundation, the Ford Foundation and the Hewlett Foundation.

The researchers were heartened by the volume of political activity they found (“People haven’t given up on the system,” Schlozman says), but they were concerned by the kinds of activities that are increasing. Over the past 20 years more and more Americans have been writing letters to elected representatives and giving money to campaigns—both of which are basically solitary tasks. Neither provides the sense of community involvement or the social contacts that draw people into politics for the long term, Schlozman notes. She and her co-authors dubbed financial donations the “junk food of political activity, a relatively easy form of involvement that provides a certain number of empty participatory calories but relatively little in the way of lasting gratification.”

The researchers asked people who gave money to political campaigns if they thought their check actually made a difference. About a third said they thought it did, and 4 percent said their donation helped influence a large number of voters. In contrast, three-quarters of those who gave time said their contribution made a difference, and 16 percent believed it swayed other voters. Schlozman fears the trend toward giving money may backfire. “Giving money,” she says, “provides nothing in terms of long-term satisfaction—the sense that you are doing what’s best for the country or making the community a better place to live. Those are the kinds of satisfactions that are really important to people who get involved in politics.”

Also, as campaigns become increasingly expensive and dependent on financial contributions, the researchers warn, the affluent will gain an even



greater political voice. Although people with family incomes of more than \$75,000 a year accounted for only 11 percent of the total vote in the 1988 election, they contributed 55 percent of campaign dollars.

Political activity requires resources that not all Americans have an equal opportunity to acquire. "The mother of political resources is education," Schlozman says. It's the resource from which all others flow. Highly educated people are likely to be interested in politics. They're likely to have jobs that teach them political skills—public speaking, for instance, organizing meetings and presenting arguments. Well-educated people are likely to make more money, too, which means they are more likely to make large campaign donations.

"Class is clearly the underlying secret in understanding participation," says Schlozman, "and people with different bundles of participatory resources are

likely to have different kinds of problems and different kinds of needs." Washington is far more likely to hear from Medicare recipients—senior citizens—than from Medicaid recipients, who are poor. "The elderly are likely to be better educated," she explains. "They're more likely to have the necessary organizational and communication skills. And there are organizations that represent them in politics."

Those kinds of resources make it much easier for a group to raise its voice to a decibel level at which the government must listen. And when the budget-paring ax in Washington falls, those who have Congress's ear are far more likely to have their programs spared. Schlozman and her colleagues conclude that people who receive food stamps, welfare, housing assistance, and Medicaid are not fully heard by the government. "Those are the people who are invisible," she says. "And we see

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that working out today in Congress. Social Security is not on the chopping block; welfare is."

For those who have missed out on the advantages of education and jobs that develop political skills, church activities and other volunteer work can provide an alternate route into politics. Through volunteering, ordinary citizens can learn the skills they missed out on. "Each church has a budget committee and a Sunday school curriculum committee," Schlozman says. "So someone who chairs the church bazaar or who arranges the tour for the church choir is developing communication and organizational skills that can be readily transferred to politics."

Protestant churches train their members for activism better than Catholic churches do, the researchers found—although not because of any difference in the churches' political stands. Rather, says Schlozman, Protestant churches tend to be smaller and less hierarchical, and congregation members have more authority. For example, she says, it's not unusual for a Protestant to serve on a search committee to hire a new minister. African-American churches—which tend to be Protestant—are good at helping their members gain political skills, but Latino churches—often large and Catholic—are less so. "Latinos," Schlozman says, "are doubly disadvantaged because they may not be getting these skills on the job and they are less likely to get them in church."

The fact that many Americans are learning their civic skills through church groups has a profound influence on the political goals those activists pursue, the researchers found. To illustrate, Schlozman points to northern and western European democracies, where working-class people have a long history of honing political skills in unions. "One of the traditional explanations for why western and northern Europeans have such a generous welfare state has to do with the strength of the unions," she says. "European unions have acted as advocates for the economic needs of ordinary people. In contrast, U.S. churches have focused on a range of issues—from

temperance to civil rights to, currently, family issues, particularly abortion."

Similarly, the researchers found that prolife activists tend to work on only one issue: stopping abortion. By focusing on a single issue they amplify their voice. In contrast, prochoice activists tend to be liberals who spread their political energy across a wide range of concerns—from the environment to welfare.

Schlozman, Verba and Brady do not intend to offer prescriptions. "By and large, political scientists have been

burned whenever they get reform minded," says Schlozman. Nevertheless, she hopes two of their findings will be heeded in the current debate about campaign financing: "The extent to which the affluent dominate political debate in this country is particularly unhealthy," she says. "And I really worry that the increased dominance of money in politics is a source of political distrust and alienation."

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# Final mission

**An army chaplain returns to the place of war**

BY WILLIAM J. LEONARD, SJ

*Editor's note: In 1944, while stationed at a sprawling military base near Finschhafen, New Guinea, U.S. Army chaplain Bill Leonard led men from the Ninth Ordnance Battalion in building a chapel beside the jungle. In 1987, on a visit to places he had known during his three years in the Pacific theater, Fr. Leonard again touched down at Finschhafen. The following is excerpted from his recently published war memoir "Where Thousands Fell" (Sheed & Ward, 1995). A former chairman of BC's theology department, Fr. Leonard is curator of the University's Liturgy and Life Collection.*

**F**orty-three years after the war, I was aboard an Air Niugini 727, looking down on the gray-green hills around Port Moresby and feeling again a twinge of the dislike and apprehension that jungle country had inspired in me. I remembered the miseries of the Salamaua campaign and thought I could pick out, on the Owen Stanley Range, the thread of the Kokoda Trail. In 1942 the Japanese, having landed at Buna on the east coast, went swarming up that trail, over the top (one of the highest mountain ranges in the world), and down the other side almost to Port Moresby, from which they would have had a clear shot at Australia.

But we landed the 32nd American Division—the workhorse division from Wisconsin—and the Seventh Australian Brigade, took the Japanese head-on

and pushed them up, up, up, over the top again, and down, down, down, into Buna. There, according to the legend, General Eichelberger, commanding the 32nd, wired to General MacArthur, "I can spit in Buna, but I can't take it." MacArthur wired back, "You will take it, or leave your body." Eichelberger took it, of course, but the cost was enormous: thousands dead or wounded, with malaria, scrub typhus, dengue fever, dysentery, psychological exhaustion and physical suffering (the men had left Moresby in tropical uniforms and needed winter clothing at the top of the range) as the price paid by the survivors. From a purely military standpoint, it was one of the finest exploits of the war. But the human cost is what overpowers the imagination, and I still hear Pope Paul VI pleading in the U.N. chamber,



*"Jamais encore!"*

My plane was coming in for a landing now in Finschhafen, and I was peering intently at the empty harbor and the desolate beaches, looking for something—anything—familiar. Finschhafen, they had told me, was a malarial area and had not been developed as Moresby, Lae and other provincial centers had been. So, I unthinkingly assumed, the place would look pretty much as I had last seen it.

At that time the base ran along the coast for some 15 miles. On both sides of the one road, built by our engineers, were acres of tents, mess halls, headquarters, a hospital, shops and offices. There was a navy base for P.T. boats and airstrips and hangars for the air corps. The 33rd Division was bivouacked there, waiting for word to move on Biak, Halmahera and the Philippines. But the population of the base was largely army service troops—ordnance, signal, quartermaster—struggling under the tropical sun or in the deep mud of the rainy season to empty crates of equipment from the States and to assemble it for shipment to combat areas. At the height of its activities, there were upward of 100,000 men on the Finschhafen base.

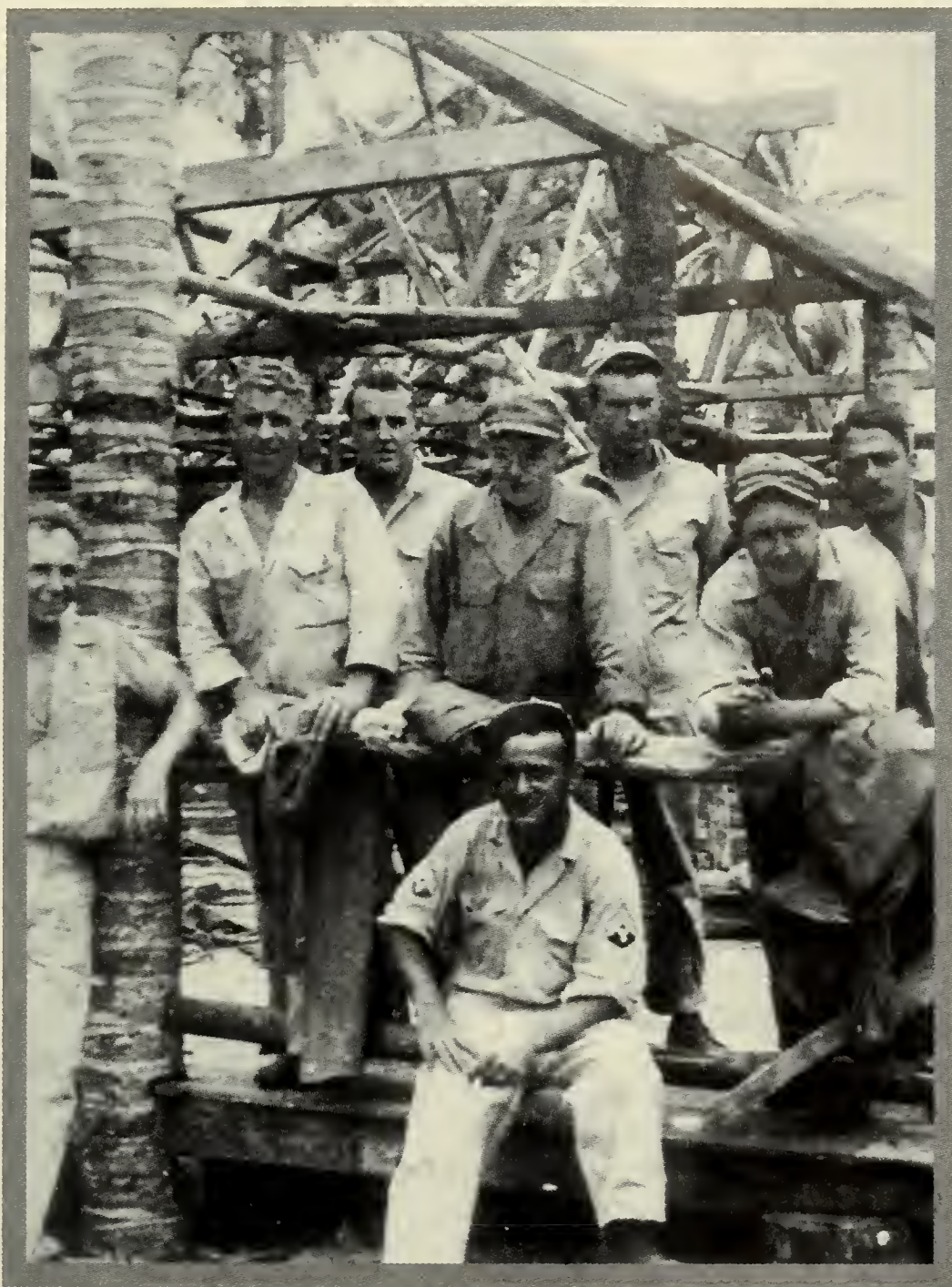
But when Fr. George Lawlor and I set out from the Lutheran Mission Hospital, where the volunteer American physician, Dr. Hershey, generously loaned us his car, there was only one recognizable feature—the single road along the coast. We met almost no traffic. Dipping into the hollow where base headquarters had been,

we saw only thick underbrush and mature palm trees. Then we were on the level again where, I was sure, the 900 men of the Ninth Ordnance Battalion had had their tents and shops—this must be the place; this was where I would find my chapel.

But there was nothing, not even a bit of old metal rusting away under the gently waving fronds of jungle vegetation. I suppose the natives carried away whatever they could use after we left, and anything else simply disintegrated. We stopped, explored as best we could under the fierce midday sun—how had we ever done such heavy work in such a climate?—but I could not with certainty

to establish peace, didn't you? Well, look around you."

The breeze sougled softly through the palm trees, and I broke into a slow grin. It was true. The Japanese had gone. We Americans had gone. The Australians had gone. The country belonged, as it should, to the people of New Guinea. Mission accomplished. So my chapel had vanished; it didn't matter. I took a last look at the silent, serene bush, said a quick prayer for all the comrades, living and dead, of those days, and drove back to the hospital. Dr. Hershey, with rare delicacy and kindness, thanked me for what we had done, 40 years before, for New Guinea.



Fr. Leonard (far left) with men of the Ninth Ordnance, Finschhafen, New Guinea, 1944.

identify even the site of the chapel. I asked questions at a sort of general store near what had been the navy base, and at the Lutheran minor seminary, but got only a wondering and regretful shaking of heads. I knew we had gone too far when we reached Scarlet Beach. (The Japanese had attempted a landing there and had been repulsed with so much bloodshed that the place was given this grisly name, and it is still so called, though probably the natives today don't know why.) So we went back to try once more, scanning every foot of the way. Nothing. And if the kookaburra bird had cawed its raucous laugh, I would have felt the mockery of the triumphant jungle. With a flash of sympathetic perception, however, Fr. Lawlor sensed my disappointment and said in a quiet, let's-be-reasonable tone, "You fellows came out here



# Parting shots

Seasoned BC students teach empty-nest parents the ropes

BY BRUCE MORGAN

**S**he experienced a bout of homesickness that led her to call home, crying, saying she wanted to return to New Jersey. Two years later her advice to parents is coolly assured: "If your son or daughter does this, it's perfectly normal."

In the lobby of Robsham Theater, beside the urns of coffee and the platters of bagels, one father is talking to another: "If you say to your kid, 'These are the best years of your life, and don't forget to study,' the kid hears only one thing—'Have a good time.' That really messes up their heads." Nearby, a woman is saying, "I hope she remembered to bring her schedule, but she's a big girl now."

The three days of orientation for freshmen and their parents, August 31 to September 2, is the time when the question of who has attained maturity and who has not is very much in the air. Out on the brick plaza in front of Robsham, parents sip coffee and blink in the morning sun, now and then shielding their eyes to see who is approaching or leaving. A woman standing by the metal sculpture hugs her daughter; the daughter's eyes shine with tears.

At the start of each school year, BC offers a smorgasbord of events—panel discussions, meals, inspirational talks, meetings with deans and faculty members, and open-ended reflections—to help first-year students and their parents negotiate the transition to college life. Some events are geared toward students, others toward their parents. The parents gathered outside Robsham are waiting to hear a panel of six upperclass students talk about leaving home.

At the stroke of 10, the crowd edges inside. "In this first year of college, what do students need from their parents?" asks Fr. Joseph Marchese, the director of First Year Experience, a yearlong program for freshmen.

"Many times kids may be having problems with drugs or sex, and parents will say, 'What are you going to do?'"

"I get uneasy with that," says Fr. Marchese, a stocky man with a direct, unflinching style. "We can't protect students the way we did when they were in high school. They're on their own now. They need to negotiate the world in a mature way."

The first of the panelists to share her experience is Andrea Leblond, a senior who confesses to having had "the greatest anxiety" about leaving Texas for Massachusetts. A high-school tennis player, she had frequently traveled great distances with her father to play in tourna-



For parents and their children, arriving at the dorm room signals both a beginning and an end.



ments. Once at BC, however, she decided to drop the sport. To her surprise, her parents took the news well. Leblond delivers her message to the new college parents: "I appreciated their support. I'm glad they stuck by me through the changes I made."

Monica Marcelis '97, tells the group she grew up "off Exit 7 on the New Jersey Turnpike" and was a superior high-school student. But at BC she stumbled, earning mediocre grades at first. She joined the crew team but hated getting up at 4:30 a.m. for practice. The disappointments triggered a powerful bout of homesickness that on some nights led her to call home, crying, saying she wanted to return to New Jersey. Two years later her advice to parents is coolly assured: "If your son or daughter does this, it's perfectly normal."

For Omaha, Nebraska, native Katie Becker '96, the psychological trials of freshman year were similar. Becker begins by saying brightly that one of her chief ambitions in going to college was

to get far away from home. (Laughter from the audience.) "I didn't want my parents to show up on a weekend, so they had to be at least 12 hours away." (More laughter.)

But that distance came at a price. Becker had been on campus only a short while when she flunked a chemistry test. The failure, plus a sense of isolation, threw her into a depression, prompting her to search the sky and ask herself the age-old question, "What am I doing here in Massachusetts?" She soon regained her balance and bore down on her classwork, but the truth remained that the pain of separation from her family was greater than she had figured it would be.

Becker also offers practical advice for dealing with a homesick child. It helped, she said, that her mother sent periodic "Hi from Omaha" cards. At Thanksgiving, when Becker couldn't afford to travel home, she pressed the button on her answering machine and heard her family singing "Happy Thanksgiving."

The mike passed next to Peter Sullivan '96, who came just a few miles to BC from Quincy, Massachusetts, via BC High School, but still foundered freshman year. He described lying in bed wondering if he should bother going to class. Sullivan was written up for an alcohol violation, and he absent-mindedly left the note out on his desk, where his father spotted it during a visit to campus. His father quietly folded the note. Later he took Peter aside and said simply, "Remember why you're here."

Sullivan appreciated his dad's restraint. "It made me think," he says. Listening to him,

the parents seated in the auditorium nod.

Mark McManmon '96, had a different sort of problem with his father. McManmon had lived with his father in Andover, Massachusetts, after his parents' divorce and had attended a state school for a year before transferring to BC. The prospect of having a son move away, with its financial and emotional implications, made his father uneasy. McManmon quotes his father as saying, "I'm not too happy about this," the summer before Mark enrolled at BC.

Then, abruptly, McManmon's father became fully supportive of his son's choice. "That meant so much to me," McManmon confides from the stage. He plunged into student activities at BC, becoming involved with the Ignacio Volunteer program in Jamaica during his sophomore year. He learned to budget his time better, and his relationship with his father flowered. That new relationship, McManmon says, "will carry me through the rest of my life."

A dash of humor lights the message of the final panelist, Matt Hasselbeck '97, backup quarterback on the BC football team. His transition from high school to college, while cloudy in many ways, proved easy on his parents. "The week after I left, I found out they'd gotten rid of the bed in my bedroom," he jokes.

Hasselbeck tells the crowd that college is "a wonderful opportunity for you to become a good friend with your son or daughter." He reports that he has seen this development already in a more intimate relationship with his parents. Following a game in which he'd thrown an interception, his father, the former New England Patriot Don Hasselbeck, approached him. The younger Hasselbeck expected a lecture, but his father offered an arm around the shoulder, and said simply, "What in the world were you thinking?" Concludes Hasselbeck: "Mom and Dad have become like my friends, I guess."

Hang in there, gentle parents, the panelists seemed to be saying; things get better. ●





# news & notes

## ELECTION EVE

*William Leahy, SJ, is named BC's 25th president*



GARY GILBERT

Fr. Monan, left, and Fr. Leahy join trustees in a champagne toast following Leahy's election.

The word, so to speak, came shortly after 9 p.m. on Friday, October 6. That's when applause broke out in Connolly House, BC's faculty center, where the Board of Trustees was meeting in executive session behind the living room's closed doors to elect a new president. Twenty-four trustees were present, and another half-dozen or so strained at phones around the country to hear the discussion and vote.

Across the hall, in the wood-paneled library, the man who had just been elected BC's 25th president, William Patrick Leahy, SJ, sat on a corner of a sofa and continued to talk with a few staff members who had been keeping him company during the meeting. [Editor's note: An interview with Fr. Leahy begins on page 44.] With a time-out while Leahy went across the hall to make a presentation to the board, the conversation had been rolling along for more than an hour, with topics ranging from campus life at Marquette University—where Leahy

is executive vice president—to the baseball playoffs, to the likelihood that any of the impeccably bound books on the impeccably appointed shelves of the library had ever been moved since their original shelving.

That conversation ended with the outburst of applause from the trustees, and a few minutes later Fr. Leahy reentered the living room to be greeted for the first time as president-elect of Boston College. That greeting was a standing ovation from the men and women of the board. Champagne bottles and glasses appeared. Trustee Chairman Geoffrey T. Boisi '69, then turned to William Connell '59. A trustee since 1974 and chairman from 1981 to 1984, Connell was one of a very few in the room who had worked with a young, new president of Boston College named J. Donald Monan. To Connell fell the task of making the welcoming toast. "Your personal qualities," Connell said to Fr. Leahy, "your leadership, your vision, your sensitivities to diversity and financial responsibility



and all the things you have demonstrated as an outstanding Jesuit are qualities that we believe will take this university to even greater heights. So we toast you. Ever to excel!"

Around the room, trustees raised their glasses. The task of appointing a successor to Fr. Monan, who in February 1994 announced his intention to step down and "make way for fresh leadership," was done. William P. Leahy, SJ, will take office on July 31, 1996, the Feast Day of St. Ignatius. Fr. Monan will at the same time become University chancellor.

### Out of Imogene

The road that brought Fr. Leahy to Connolly House that night began in Imogene, Iowa, a farming community founded by Irish immigrants in the 1870s. Fr. Leahy's great-grandfather, who had lived in Chicopee Falls, Massachusetts, in the mid-19th century, was among the founders of Imogene.

Born in 1948, Bill Leahy was raised on a grain and cattle farm and attended local schools until he went off to Creighton University in Omaha, Nebraska, in 1967. That same year he joined the Wisconsin Province of the Society of Jesus and began his theological training. He earned bachelor's and master's degrees at St. Louis University, received degrees in theology (1978) and historical theology (1980) at the Jesuit School of Theology in Berkeley, California, and a doctorate in U.S. history from Stanford University (1986). He joined the Marquette faculty and in 1991 was tenured in the history department there. Soon after, he was tapped for the executive vice president's post.

During his four years as the Milwaukee-based university's chief operating officer, Fr. Leahy earned a reputation as the man who attended to the inner workings of the campus. Among the major projects he worked on were efforts to upgrade undergraduate

liberal-arts programs; a plan for integrating Marquette's intellectual, religious and service commitments; and a plan to identify and strengthen graduate programs that were targeted for distinction. He chaired the university's trustee Committee on Jesuit Identity and Religious Affairs.

In addition to playing a role in strategic planning and operations, Fr. Leahy worked with Marquette administrators and faculty to develop bridges for students between academic and extracurricular life, and he was a central figure in the Campus Circle initiative, a highly regarded urban-revitalization program that renovated housing and attracted businesses to neighborhoods near the campus.

He is the author of *Adapting to America: Catholics, Jesuits and Higher Education in the Twentieth Century* (Georgetown University Press, 1991).

### Journey's end

"This has been an amazing journey, but one well worth taking," said BC trustee Judith B. Krauss, dean of the Yale School of Nursing and a member of the search committee that chose Leahy. "We have found absolutely the right man. He is truly the candidate who will bring to Boston College academic integrity, a vision about Catholic higher education, leadership and, above all, simply the will to lead and to serve BC."

"Fr. Leahy brings a dimension to the job that few other candidates would because of the scholarly understanding he has of Catholic higher education in the United States in the 19th and 20th centuries," said another search committee member, Joseph Appleyard, SJ, '53, rector of the BC Jesuit Community. "His book and writings present the way in which Catholics have integrated into American society, and this involves issues that we continue to face today."

The president-elect, said Edu-

cation Professor Mary Brabeck, who served on the search advisory committee, "has a vision for excellence in graduate and professional education that will lead Boston College into the 21st century as the premier Catholic university in the country."

For Boisi, chairman of the search committee and the person principally entrusted with BC's first presidential succession in nearly a quarter century, the events of October 6 were a welcome conclusion to a task that had proved more arduous than expected. In June 1994, four months after it began, the search for BC's 25th president was temporarily suspended. Several of the most attractive Jesuit candidates had told BC that they would be unable to step away immediately from the duties they then held. Fr. Monan agreed to stay on for a few more years. After a year's hiatus, the search resumed this past summer and soon drew to a conclusion that Boisi, speaking after the trustee meeting, called eminently successful. "We maintained the highest standards," he said, "and in Fr. Leahy—a history scholar, an experienced executive and a spiritual man committed to the highest values of Jesuit education—we found the leadership we were looking for."

That night, after the the toasts were raised, the champagne sipped, the photos taken, and most of the other trustees had disappeared into the night, Boisi, accompanied by a couple of staff people, repaired to a small campus office to tape a two-minute voice-mail message to all faculty, staff and resident students at Boston College. "Good evening," he began. "This is Geoff Boisi, chairman of the board of trustees." Two minutes later, he was done. He reviewed the recording once, and at 10:17 p.m. he pressed the button. The word went out.

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### RECPLEX REDUX

BC has developed preliminary designs for a facility that will replace the 23-year-old Flynn Recreation Complex. The new six-story structure, to be built on what is currently the parking lot between the RecPlex and Alumni Stadium, will include a 50-meter swimming and diving pool, running tracks, fitness and aerobic areas, tennis, squash and racquetball courts, locker rooms, and conference and office space. Pending approval by trustees and by city and state agencies, construction on the project will begin in the spring of 1997 and will take two years. The multilevel facility will occupy a considerably smaller footprint than does the RecPlex, freeing up green space on the lower campus.

### CENTERPIECE

The Boston College Center for Corporate and Community Relations, which offers the nation's only certificate program in community relations, is becoming part of the Carroll School of Management and is expanding its programs. Founded 10 years ago, the center enrolls 260 corporations and has taught representatives of more than 900 U.S. and overseas organizations. The merger will enable the center to enlarge its curriculum, improve its research capabilities and resources, and begin an aggressive membership outreach program, according to director Edmund Burke.

### HIGH SOCIETY

The national psychology honor society, Psi Chi, has established a chapter at Boston College, inducting 32 students. Psi Chi membership is open to students with a grade-point average of at least 3.0 in psychology and an overall GPA of 3.2 or better. The society makes research awards and sponsors conventions, lectures and workshops.



### CARRYING HIS WEIGHT

"It wasn't going to be these sighted guys dragging a blind guy to the top of the mountain and then spiking him like a football at the summit," Eric Weihenmayer '91, (*Journal*, Spring 1995) told the *Arizona Republic*. On June 27, Weihenmayer, a Phoenix, Arizona, fifth-grade teacher, wrestling coach, scuba diver and parachutist, became the first blind climber to reach the peak of Mt. McKinley—at 20,320 feet, the highest point in North America. It's one of the most treacherous treks on the continent; more than 80 have lost their lives there, including two last June. Tied to the hiker ahead of him for balance, Weihenmayer used ski poles to locate his partner's footsteps, then stepped in those tracks. As did his four teammates, he lugged a 50-pound pack during the 19-day ascent. "It was like running a marathon every day," another hiker told the *Republic*. The climb raised \$100,000 for the American Federation for the Blind.

## THOSE THAT CAN

### *Teaching at BC draws top-20 national ranking*



In *U.S. News and World Report's* first assessment of undergraduate teaching strength, Boston College placed 16th among national universities. The annual higher-education survey, published in the magazine's September 18 issue, put BC at number 37 in overall quality. In the category of undergraduate business pro-

grams, the Carroll School of Management ranked 37th in the nation.

This was the first time *U.S. News* ranked colleges for teaching quality; the results came from a survey of university administrators. Boston College was among six New England institutions chosen: Dartmouth and Brown ranked first and second, respectively. Yale was 10th, Harvard 17th, and Tufts 24th.

The overall ranking was determined by a survey of 2,700

college presidents, provosts and deans of admission, along with self-reported data dealing with student selectivity, faculty resources, financial resources, retention rates and alumni satisfaction.

Last spring, in separate studies of professional schools, *U.S. News* had included the School of Education, the Law School and the School of Nursing in its rankings of top graduate-school programs.



# INDOMITABLE

## *Amanda Houston, 1926-1995*

Over the years, Amanda V. Houston wrote for this magazine and was written about in this magazine. Under both circumstances, she made equal effort to determine which words would find their way to print. This was her indomitable way. The ironic gods gifted her with a gender, skin color and physical constitution that pushed her toward powerlessness. With a robust sense of irony, she responded by assuming charge of everything—a not-unrealistic ambition in her case because she was intelligent, energetic, funny, charming and as full of chutzpah as a convention of borscht-belt comedians.

While still a student at Northeastern, Amanda made a union out of her fellow “colored girls” who were elevator operators at a Boston office building. As a mature woman, “Mrs. Houston” took control of BC’s ragtag Black Studies program, eventually turning it into an instrument of enlightenment for thousands of black and white students and for BC itself. Between those two adventures, she was a factory worker, a college administrator, a teacher, a Harvard Business School student, a government official, a political insider, a community organizer, a mother to two and a den mother to half of Roxbury. All through the years, she worked at making the rest of us behave fairly and decently. It was a task she had not quite completed when she died of a heart attack on August 18.

Amanda was 69, two years into her retirement from the University and a few months into blindness—her most recent physical affliction on a list that would have made Job howl. She was also planning a conference for BC. The last communication I received from her was a letter asking for help with publicity. Apologizing for some weeks of silence, she said, “In the middle of organizing . . . I have been declared legally blind. But like the Phoenix I rise again.”

At a memorial service at BC in September, some of Amanda’s friends spoke of her ideals, her commitment, her skills as a political organizer, and the way she went toe-to-toe with the drug-dealing thugs on

the corner. When I think of her, I think that she loved the world more than it appeared to love her and that this was not foolishness on her part but the hardest-won wisdom. The world broke her heart a thousand times, and she willed her heart to remain whole.

I think of a photo that *BCM* published in 1991: Amanda posed beside a large stone head at Roxbury’s Museum of African-American Artists. The wheelchair is nowhere visible; neither are the crutches. She gazes at the camera with the self-conscious poise of a queen in the greenest years of a long and cloudless reign. I’ve heard it preached that we are all born kings and queens, and we behave basely when we forget who we are and where we come from. Amanda taught herself never to forget, and so became a living lesson for all of us.

BC’s sixth Blacks in Boston conference, with a focus on Caribbean culture, will take place, as Mrs. Houston planned it, in February 1996. Additional information is available from the Black Studies Program, (617) 552-3238.

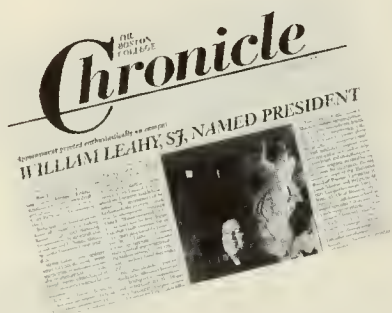
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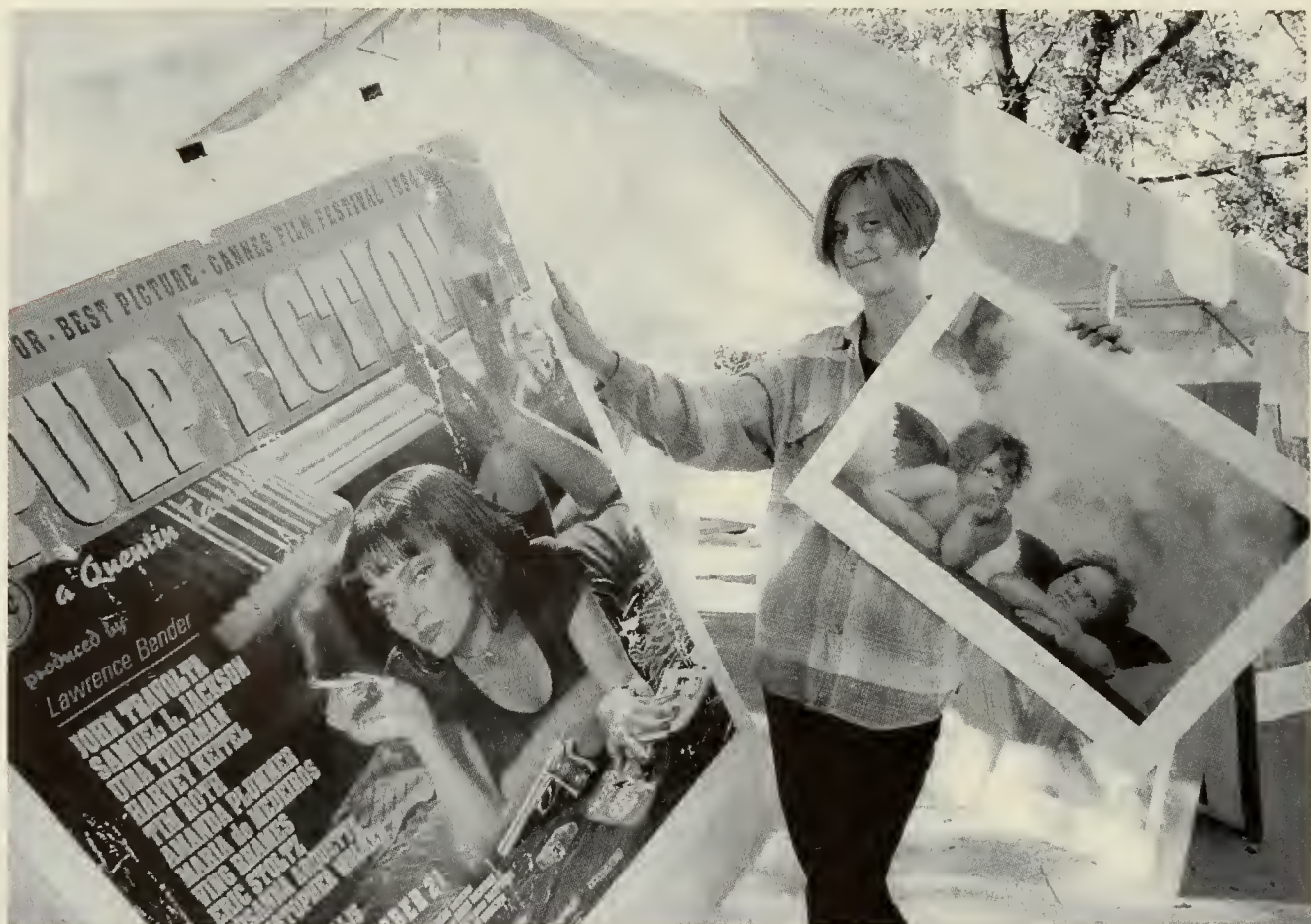
## TRUSTEES NAMED

Five new members were elected to the Board of Trustees in September. Raymond J. Callahan, SJ, '64, is executive director of Nativity Preparatory School in Boston. James F. Lafontaine, SJ, is the provincial assistant for formation and education for the Jesuits' New England Province. Thomas J. Rattigan '60, is former chairman and CEO of G. Heileman Brewing Company Inc., in Rosemont, Illinois. Thomas F. Ryan Jr. '63, is chairman and CEO of Kidder, Peabody Group Inc. in New York City. Benaree P. Wiley is president and CEO of The Partnership, a Boston-based organization that supports African-American representation in leadership positions.



## INSIDE EDITION

**Boston College Chronicle**, the biweekly newspaper written and edited by the Office of Public Affairs, is now available via the World Wide Web at <[http://www.bc.edu/bc\\_org/rvp/pubaf/chronicle.html](http://www.bc.edu/bc_org/rvp/pubaf/chronicle.html)>. An eight-page tabloid published on alternating Thursdays, **Chronicle** is distributed free to faculty and staff on campus and is mailed free to members of the Fides Society and President's Circle donor groups. The newspaper includes campus news, accounts of faculty activities, a calendar of events and a list of employment opportunities at BC.



**WALLPAPER**—According to vendors who settled on the Dustbowl for several days this fall, the bestselling posters for BC dorm rooms were of Uma Thurman, the less-than-angelic star of *Pulp Fiction*, and two Raphael cherubs. By contrast, Brandeis students reportedly favored modern abstracts, while BU students were snapping up Picassos and prints of Bob Marley. At Keene State, said one salesman, "Jerry Garcia is real big."

## THE OATH OF HAPPINESS

For Margaret Dever

*It looked like all the drama that day  
was contained in sky, as silent tanks  
of clouds rolled over the knuckled Cascades.  
The finger-thin lake shimmered vacation blue  
then cobalt, and the purple roses blooming  
on the resort lawn dimmed.  
You would have liked  
to see us there, braving  
the rainless storm from the deck's Jacuzzi  
while the baby floated unperturbed  
within the circle of our family bath.*

*We heard the news  
while holding him, as you would have  
wanted, word that reached us  
after you had gone, and spadefuls of sod  
rained down.*

*That knowledge found us under sky so full  
of portent it would have moved you  
to delighted laughs,  
a baby in our arms who represented all  
the happiness that was and will be  
you, now, substantiated  
every time we take a breath  
that catches on the rough surprise  
of that important bird, or rock, or tree  
or slant of light you're beckoning us to see.*

Suzanne Matson

Margaret Dever, who died in June, taught in the English departments at Boston College and at Newton College of the Sacred Heart. Suzanne Matson, an assistant professor of English at BC and the author of two books of poetry, was Ms. Dever's office mate in Carney Hall.



## CENTRAL HEATER

*Bob Caggiano hangs up his pipe wrench*

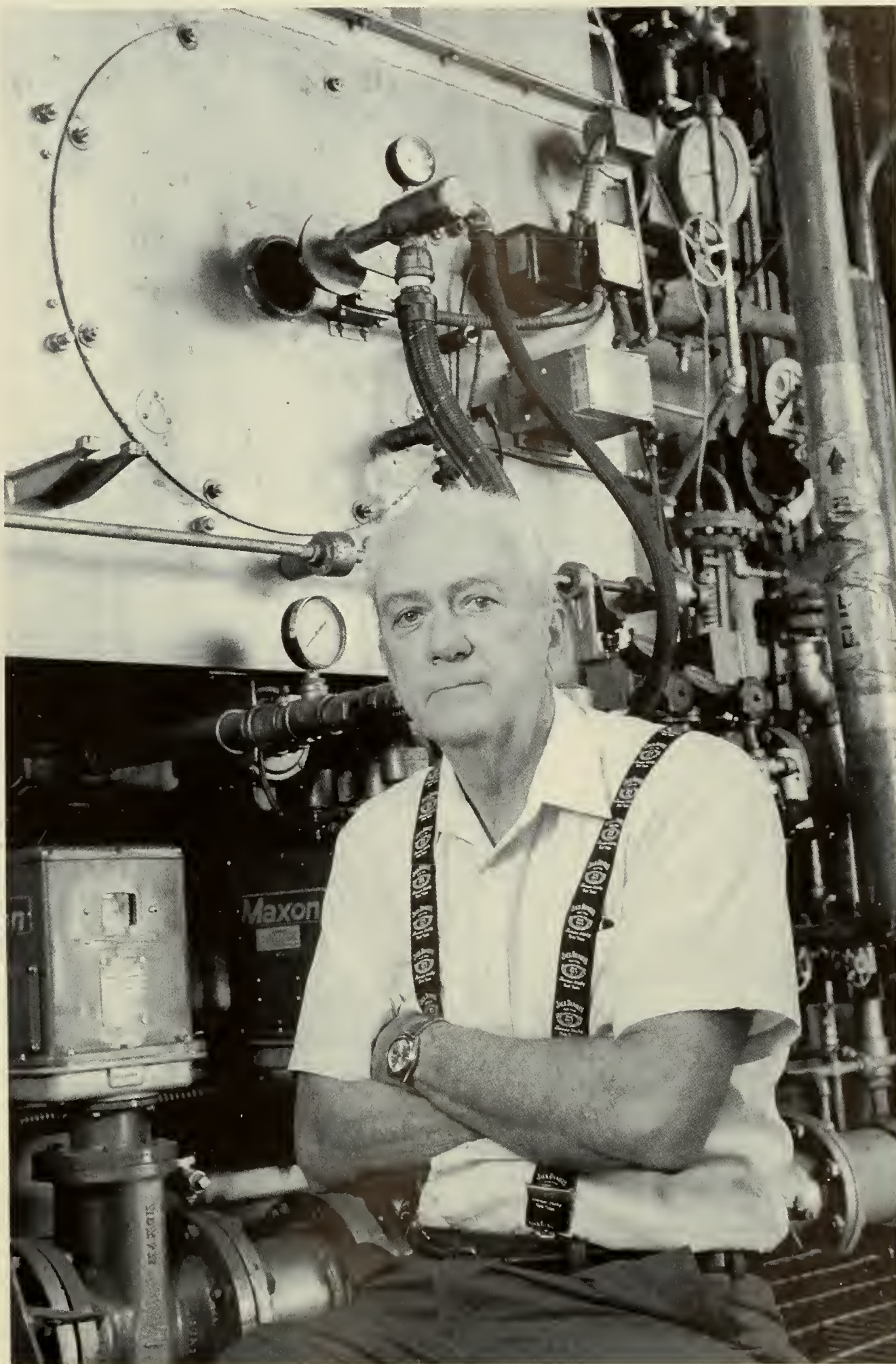
When engineer Robert Caggiano began working in BC's heating plant in 1951, Lyons Hall was spanking new and water still filled the reservoir. Over the next 44 years, an entire lower campus was built on that spot. Through it all, Caggiano, who retired this fall, kept the home fires burning.

Caggiano became acquainted with BC in the 1940s while visiting his father, Frank, then the chief engineer in the boiler room. The junior Caggiano began his BC career picking up wastepaper on the old Alumni Field; then he worked with his father in the heat plant from 1951 until 1974, when Frank Caggiano retired.

Bob Caggiano's finest hour came during the Blizzard of 1978, when he single-handedly kept the boiler room in operation—and the lower and middle campuses heated—for five snowbound days. The storm hit during Caggiano's shift, isolating him from co-workers, who couldn't get to campus. Sustained by sandwiches delivered from McElroy by a similarly stranded plumber, Caggiano worked 12 consecutive shifts with no sleep—an experience he likens to “being in the twilight zone.”

“Every plant has its quirks, and Bob was familiar with all of them,” said boiler-room foreman Frank Zarrella. “I called him my senior plant historian. He could tell me what year what was installed, how it was maintained and the last time maintenance was done. I wish he'd be with me for another 20 years.”

Caggiano said he will most miss the tolling of the bells in the Gasson Tower clock, which his father used to oil. “I don't need a chair or anything like that to remind me of my days at BC,” he said. “It's a part of my life and my family.”



GARY GILBERT



# GREENELAND

## Tracking Graham

### *An administrator writes:*

Weighing in at 60,000 documents and 3,000 books, the Graham Greene collection acquired by BC last spring from the Greene estate is a treasure trove of concrete detail about a writer whose subject was evanescence (of loyalty, love, faith and grace) and who throughout his long public journey did his best to remain personally invisible, covering his trail with practical jokes, exaggerations, lies, evasions and legal suits in an effort to confuse and confound his trackers.

In this he seems largely to have succeeded. How else to explain the seemingly unresolvable argument between those who believe Greene was the guileful, craven monster Michael Shelden's recent biography makes him out to be, or—says the other side—one of the great writers of the century, although admittedly an imperfect pilgrim?

Carefully preserved by Greene's sister, who was for 25 years his personal secretary, the correspondence and notes in the Burns Library will no doubt be of benefit to those resolute souls who are still on the elusive scent. The papers run the gamut. Leafing through a limited selection one afternoon, I stumbled upon both the mundane (a newspaper-clipped listing of vintage bordeaux years) and the sublime (a note from Vladimir Nabokov thanking Greene for his public defense of *Lolita*). "My poor *Lolita* is having a rough time," Nabokov writes. "The pity is that if I had made her a boy, or a cow, or a bicycle, Philistines might never have flinched. On the other hand, Olympia Press [*Lolita's* publisher] informs me that amateurs (amateurs!) are disappointed by the tame turn my story takes in the second volume and do not buy it."

Despite the fact that the papers outnumber the books, it is Greene's library that has garnered much of the attention in press stories about the collection. That is because he used books both as a filing system—the bordeaux chart was tucked into a worn

copy of Lichine's *Encyclopédie des vins*—and as notepads in which he planned stories, sketched what he observed as he looked up from the pages, (sharply) critiqued what he was reading and on at least one occasion scored a Scrabble game. "In the absence of a more extensive personal testament," wrote the *New Yorker* in its report on the collection, "there remain his books."

Most of the books were still in cartons when I visited the collection shortly after it arrived at the

Burns Library, and the few that had been removed and stripped of their heavy brown-paper wrapping turned out to be pristinely preserved complementary copies from other authors.

The papers, however, provided a view that was sufficiently instructive, particularly to one who had come in the guise of journalist. "Having counted more than fifty misstatements, misquotes and inaccuracies in Mrs. Giliatt's profile, I gave up the job," Greene wrote to the *New Yorker* after a 1979 article. A letter to *London Magazine* two years earlier called another profile "a tissue of inaccuracies, distortions and deviation from the truth from beginning to end." In

a 1988 letter to a certain Signor Olivieri, the editor of an Italian magazine who'd had the temerity to pridefully ("*con tanti saluti cordiali*") send his journal's Greene portrait to the subject, the subject replied: "Thank you for the copy you have sent me . . . but I must tell you that I never wish to appear in your magazine again because of the inaccuracies. . . . I think your interviewer probably doesn't understand English very well. There are mistakes on nearly every page. I do *not* spend a long time in my bath! I work before I have my bath and not at night. . . . In fact your article has made me more than ever convinced that a writer is unwise to talk to a journalist. Yours sincerely."

I read those words at the Burns Library five months ago. It's taken me all the intervening time to bring myself to write this report.



BURNS LIBRARY





**ARMED AND READY**—Doris Babbin was one of several hundred people who showed up at the Veronica Smith Center in Brighton on October 26 to receive a free flu shot, administered here by Kerri Rupp '96. Free mammograms, CPR training and a 5K race through the streets of Allston-Brighton were among the other highlights of a Health Fair marking Health Awareness Week. The events were sponsored by the School of Nursing and the Boston College Neighborhood Center, which opened in Brighton last January.

## DEEP AND WIDE

### *The pacesetting Class of '99 rolls in*

Selected from a record applicant pool of 16,680, the Class of '99 arrives at BC bearing the highest SAT profile in recent years and containing the largest number of black freshmen since the mid-1970s.

According to the Office of Undergraduate Admission, 2,140 freshmen achieved median SAT scores of between 1140 and 1300, in contrast with last year's range of 1140 to 1280. There are some 400 AHA students in the class, of whom 102 are African Americans—a steep increase over last year's figure of 76.

According to BC officials, the higher academic profile of this

year's entering class is a result of a new financial-aid program dedicated to meeting the full financial need of the top 25 percent of applicants. Unlike virtually all of its competitors, BC is unable to meet the full need of admitted applicants. By increasing the amount of financial aid available to the top fourth, however, the University was able to gain ground among the most gifted students.

Admissions Director John Mahoney attributed the record number of black freshmen to a long-term marketing program that has raised applications from African-American students 58

percent since 1990 and 23 percent in the past year alone.

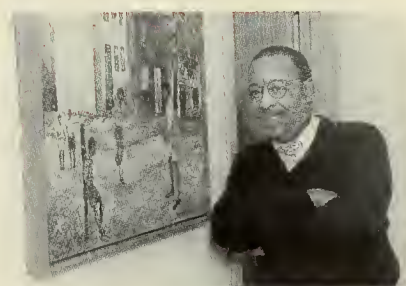
As in recent years, the class was drawn from a wide geographical range—more than 40 states and 30 foreign countries; women comprise a slight majority—53 percent. Following another recent trend, early-action applications were up significantly, from 2,734 to 3,493.

A&S enrolled 66 percent of the class—1,409 students—while CSOM enrolled 501, SOE 171, and Nursing 59. Overall applications were up 9.3 percent, and those to CSOM and SOE were up 11 percent and 15 percent, respectively.

## VIRTUAL PRIZE

The Special Libraries Association has made its annual award for technology innovations to BC librarians Pearl Alberts and Barbara Mento, who developed a guide to free business-information resources on the Internet. Now in its third edition, the guide directs users to free posted information in the areas of economics, statistics, computers, management, finance and personnel.

## MAJOR LEAGUE



The National Urban League has named SOE Research Professor John Cawthorne its vice president for education, a yearlong post. During his term the civil rights organization's educational office will be headquartered in Campion Hall. Cawthorne will work with the Urban League's 114 community-based affiliates to help parents advocate for their children. He will also oversee two staffs, one at BC and one at the league's headquarters in New York City.

## SECRETS OF SUCCESS

SOE and an association of parochial schools have jointly launched a project to study successful programs in Catholic schools. In collaboration with the National Catholic Education Association, BC faculty will examine schools that seem to make exemplary use of their resources in four areas: integrating religious beliefs into the curriculum, introducing programs that engage parents in the life of the school, technology use, and the education of children with learning disabilities.



## CLASSNOTES

# LOUIS, LOUIS

*William Youngren leads an informed romp through  
three decades of American jazz*

**CLASS:** EN 445/MU 323 "Jazz: Listening and Describing"

**INSTRUCTOR:** Associate Professor of English William Youngren

**READINGS:** Tirro, *Jazz: A History*; Porter and Ullman, *Jazz: From Its Origins to the Present*

**MUSIC:** Various selections, Smithsonian Collection of Classic Jazz



Louis Armstrong, 1944.

How many here can read music?" asks William Youngren. A scattering of hands goes up among the several dozen students in the Lyons Hall classroom. "Now, see, 30 years ago, every hand would have gone up," says Youngren. "But that's OK. Don't worry about not knowing musical notation; it doesn't matter in this course. Whitney Balliett, my old friend at the *New Yorker*, I don't think can read music very well, but he sure can describe what music sounds like. And that's what I'm really interested in—how the thing sounds to you and what words you pick to talk about it."

Youngren began teaching this course in 1989. A music critic who has written extensively for the *Atlantic* and other magazines, and an ardent fan (and sometime performer) who has followed jazz since the late 1940s, Youngren sees himself as curator of an eclipsed national

treasure. "I'm afraid you won't hear this music if you don't hear it in this course," he tells his students. "It's not around on the radio, and you should hear it, because it's great music, marvelous music."

The course opens with Louis Armstrong in the 1920s and will conclude amid the bebop and cool jazz explorations of Dizzy Gillespie and Miles Davis in the 1950s. Today Youngren frets that he may be packing too much into a semester. "Maybe I've been too compulsive about the coverage aspect," he tells his students, sitting at his desk and leaning heavily on his hands like a man suffering from a headache. "Maybe I should just let up on that. I mean, good heavens, Benny Goodman gets only one class; Duke Ellington, three; Billie Holiday, two. You could do a term on any one of these people."

Armstrong gets four classes, an hour apiece. The first covers five tunes recorded

in Chicago between 1927 and 1930: "Potato Head Blues," "Put 'em Down Blues," "No One Else but You," "Weather Bird" and "Knockin' a Jug"—a sampling from the zenith of Armstrong's career. As Youngren wheels a compact-disc player out of the closet and presses the remote to get it going on "Potato Head," he asks the students to think about the *person* coming at them through Armstrong's horn.

The tune begins. Youngren walks distractedly over to an upright piano against the wall and, still standing, lightly presses down some chords. Drifting away from the piano, he jabs a finger in the air as Armstrong punches a note home. "Varying it," Youngren comments a moment later, sculpting with his hand as Armstrong hops around the theme. Then: "Clarinet." Then: "Stop-time chorus for Armstrong." After three minutes, Youngren lifts an eyebrow; he smiles.

"What about that? Impressions? What about Armstrong? Who is he? How does he come across?"

"Strong, but not overbearing," a student answers.

"Yes—what keeps him from being overbearing?"

"He leaves room for other people in the band to play."

"Yes. There are holes left for other people, and not only holes—they're positive breathing spaces." Youngren points out the supple balance of musical phrases in Armstrong's playing, with some swooping high, others diving low. "These phrases go together. They concatenate into human speech," he suggests.

After "Put 'em Down Blues," which ends with an abrupt blat of Armstrong's horn, Youngren exclaims, "It's absolutely like dotting an *i*—the extraordinary rhythmic security of that." Youngren's smoky personal connections drive and burnish the talk. About Lil Hardin, Armstrong's second wife, he says, "a marvelous woman, whom I got to know quite well in Chicago." Regarding a 1926 Jelly Roll Morton cut, he remarks, "I knew a couple of the guys that played on this record."

—Bruce Morgan



# DECENT PROPOSALS

*Grants achieve a record high as BC evaluates the balance of teaching and research*

**B**oston College faculty brought in 156 research grants and contracts last year—totalling \$19,480,273—both University records. That total represents an 8-percent increase since 1994, both in the number of grant proposals submitted (229) and in the number of faculty submitting those proposals (142).

The increase comes as the University Academic Planning Council (UAPC) is in the final stages of evaluating the appropriate role of faculty at BC, including the appropriate balance of research and teaching. "This is a year to step back, review our procedures and take a long [look at] how we as an institution will incorporate research into our overall mission," said the council's co-chair, Michael A. Smyer, associate vice president for research and dean of the Graduate School of Arts and Sciences. Smyer, who joined BC as its top research administrator during the summer of 1994, noted that many universities are now dealing with concerns about the balance between teaching and

research. "The fact is, our students demand a research faculty," he said. "Even parents of undergraduates I have talked to feel it is important for BC to be strong in research. We are fortunate in that we have a long tradition of a distinctive undergraduate program. The conversations around campus about research, whether formal or informal, are a very healthy development."

The council's recommendations are expected to be released in preliminary form this fall and in final form in early 1996. Still, Smyer said, some trends already in place will aid sponsored research at BC. He cited recent improvements in campus computer technology, especially the Agora project, which links all dorm rooms, offices and research facilities on campus. "What we need to do is determine how we can explore this technology and what it can do," Smyer said. "To do so, it is quite likely we will have to spend some time and resources on faculty development."

Smyer said the growth of

cross-disciplinary projects at BC has also proved helpful in attracting external grants. He pointed to the Integrated Services Project, which aids at-risk children and their families, and to the BC Museum of Art's recent exhibition on Memory and the Middle Ages as examples of the University's "ability to bring faculty together in ways that reflect our ideals and values," while raising outside funds.

Smyer is also working with BC's offices of research administration and development to strengthen resources for faculty. In light of recent and forthcoming cuts in government funds, he said, looking more to the private sector makes sense. Corporate and foundation grants currently account for about 25 percent of the University's external funding. "It is important to diversify your efforts, no matter what the developments are in Washington," Smyer said. "The challenge here is to find foundations and organizations with priorities that mirror our own and to help our faculty form relationships with them." ●

## GREAT EXPECTATIONS

BC has joined the handful of colleges that can boast a graduation rate of more than 90 percent for their undergraduate students. According to the most recent comparative statistics, 91 percent of the Class of '92 graduated from Boston College within six years, compared with a national average of 50 percent for four-year colleges. Dean of Enrollment Management Bob Lay said that the BC figure was up six points over five years and that, of those students who graduated in the Class of '92, 96 percent had finished within four years. Graduation rates are generally regarded as a measure of an institution's selectivity, student satisfaction and the effectiveness of its support systems. Lay says that at least part of that support is of the moral variety. "The expectation to graduate is everywhere—in housing, student affairs, admission—so it becomes a self-fulfilling prophecy," he said.

## APPOINTMENTS

Jerome Yavarkovsky, former director of the New York State Library, became the director of BC's library system on September 1. Richard C. Keeley, the long-time PULSE Program director who became an assistant dean at the Carroll School of Management in 1991, has been named the school's associate dean for undergraduate education.

## IRISH TIES

BC's Carroll School of Management and Trinity College in Dublin established a joint executive-education program which began in September. Some 25 senior Irish business managers participated in a week of seminars in Dublin, followed by 10 days of academic work at BC and presentations at corporations in the Boston area. The Irish enrollees represent "companies that are in the American market or are getting ready to go in," said Sean Rowland, director of BC's Center for Irish Management.

## DEATHS

- Margaret Dever, a faculty member and administrator in the English departments at Newton College of the Sacred Heart and Boston College since 1961, on June 12, 1995, at age 71.
- George F. Lawler, SJ, a member of the biology faculty from 1945 to 1963, and counselor in SOM from 1958 to 1977, on August 6, 1995, at age 83.
- Amanda Houston, director of BC's Black Studies Program from 1981 until her retirement in 1993, on August 24, 1995, at age 69.
- Michael Anello, a member of the SOE faculty since 1964, on August 28, 1995, at age 65.



# IN THE DE





# TAILS

## *The intricacies of the St. Patrick Window revealed*

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BY JOHN OMBELETS



Since 1914 tens of thousands of Boston College students have sat, sung and prayed in Gasson 100 under the soft illumination of the St. Patrick Win-

dow: the blues, purples and greens muted by the silvery opalescence of December or glowing in the golden light of May.

The window depicts a pivotal event in the history of Ireland—the meeting at Tara, home of the ancient Celtic kings, between the Catholic missionary bishop Patrick and King Laoghaire on Easter Sunday in 433 A.D. Legend has it that after Patrick, armed only with belief and prayer, bested two of Laoghaire's advisors in tests of faith, the king granted him the freedom to preach the gospel throughout the kingdom—the essential opening that led to the Christianization of Ireland.

The strictly casual observer might acknowledge the window's beauty in an offhand way. But University Historian Charles J. Donovan, SJ, has zeroed in for a closer look in his recent monograph, "St. Patrick in Gasson Hall," ex-

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amining the window the way it was meant to be viewed—up close.

The window is the work of Thomas Murphy—in his time, writes Fr. Donovan, considered “the Dean of Boston stained glass men.” Nearly two decades after executing his work in Gasson Hall, Murphy was listed with Wilbur Herbert Burnham and Charles J. Connick as the only Boston members of the Stained Glass Association of America.

Murphy’s mastery shines in the window’s details: the painterly lines in the faces and flowing beards of Patrick and the king; the intricate designs worked in white and gold along the fringe of Patrick’s robe and in his bishop’s miter; the subtle shadings of blue, purple and rose in Laoghair’s tunic; and the undulating folds in the scroll that is unfurled by two angels at the base of the window.

To achieve those effects, Murphy drew on a variety of techniques. Starting with pieces of glass with one colored side and one clear side, he blocked out sections he wished to retain, then dipped the glass in acid to corrode the exposed surfaces, leaving behind the desired image. By treating the glass with a silver stain, he produced tints of yellow and gold. To manipulate tone and texture, Murphy applied matte washes and a special vitreous paint that fuses with the glass when heated. To scratch out highlights, such as the finely drawn leaf pattern inscribed into the angels’ scroll, he used a pointed stick.

For all its beauty and power, the window’s existence at Boston College is a matter of happenstance. In 1909, the same year ground was broken for the tower building that came to be known as Gasson Hall, James Maguire, SJ, a priest at Boston’s Church of the Immaculate Conception, undertook a fund-raising drive to build an Irish Hall of Fame on the Chestnut Hill campus. When the drive fell short of its goal, some of the money collected for it was given to BC President Thomas I. Gasson, SJ, for an Irish room in the new building. That donation—the precise amount was never recorded—financed Thomas Murphy’s creation. ●









Brother





**Nine years ago  
sophomore Martin Pierre  
created a character-building club for  
black men on campus. The members of  
the Talented Tenth have all  
graduated, but their love and  
commitment remain**

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BY BRUCE MORGAN

**M**ichael Gaines '91, glanced up during his mother's wake at a Roxbury funeral home in the fall of 1987 and saw them across the room: half-a-dozen young men in dark suits who had come to pay their respects. Gaines recognized the men immediately. Although he had been a student at Boston College just a few weeks, he knew all the black faces on the mostly white campus. "Michael, we're here for you," the men told him.

The men at the wake were members of a small, new student organization that called itself the Talented Tenth. Gaines attended his first club meeting soon afterward. "It was a source of family," he says. "Being there, you had the feeling you were going

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The 1995 reunion: (top, left to right) Robert Ross '91, Gene Redd '91, Hervé Clermont\*, Chad Bishop '91, Bobby Moran '91; (below) James Jean-Pierre '91, Michael Sanders '90, Sid Levy\*, Martin Pierre '89, Clifford Isaac '90, Reggie Cadet '90, William Gibson\*, John Dowling '91, Michael Gaines '91, Ray Sykes '90.

\*did not attend Boston College

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to be connected with this group of individuals and you wouldn't go wrong."

That instinct proved to be true. For Gaines and the other twenty or so African-American men who were part of the Talented Tenth between 1986 and 1992, the link would become a central force in their lives. It is one that sustains them still.

The organization drew its name from the writings of the eminent black scholar and civil-rights activist W. E. B. Du Bois. A founder of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Du Bois believed that as a black middle class emerged, those lucky enough to advance socially and economically—a group he called the Talented Tenth—should reach down and lift other, less-advantaged blacks to higher ground. "Can the masses of the Negro people be in any possible way more quickly raised than by the effort and example of this aristocracy of talent and character?" he asked in his 1903 book, *The Negro Problem*. "Was there ever a nation on God's fair earth civilized from the bottom upward? Never; it is, ever was and ever will be from the top downward that culture filters . . ."

The concept of the Talented Tenth failed to take hold in U.S. society the way Du Bois had

hoped, observes Donald Brown, director of AHANA student programs at BC. "In the end, Dr. Du Bois became very, very discouraged," Brown says. "A black bourgeoisie was formed, but there was not enough concern about uplifting the masses. I do think he was onto something, however. The lion's share of black folk are not in colleges or universities. . . . Those who do [make it to college] are blessed." It was Don Brown who suggested the name Talented Tenth when a soft-spoken sophomore named Martin Pierre came to see him in the spring of 1986, hoping to start a club for black men on campus.

### Gaining altitude

Last July the men of the Talented Tenth gathered, as they do every summer, for a reunion on Martha's Vineyard. Rain dripped from the eaves of the rambling gingerbread cottage Martin Pierre had rented in Oak Bluffs, a summer camp established by middle-class blacks in the late 1800s. The cottage was packed. A few men lounged on the porch, trading quips and ironies. More were in the kitchen, rustling up some lunch. A small group played cards in the living room; now and then whoops of laughter caromed off the porch into the tree-lined street beyond.

When Pierre first approached Don Brown about starting the club, the emotion that drove him was loneliness. An African American and a Brooklyn, New York, native, he was adrift in the sea of white, suburban faces that was Boston College, and he suspected that same isolation was hindering other black men as well. "I wanted to connect with other people in order to get through BC," Pierre says. "I thought it made sense to create a group that would help us negotiate our way."

With support from black administrators Don Brown and Dan Bunch, Pierre conceived of a character-building club in which black men would mentor one another and elevate themselves incrementally. From the start, admission standards to the Talented Tenth were stringent. Applicants, who had to be nominated by a member, had to maintain a GPA of 3.0 or better. Each was asked to write a series of 500-word essays on designated topics: "What are your life goals?" was one. "Please describe your leadership potential" was another. Members were expected to dress properly for the weekly or biweekly meetings, to be punctual and to behave like gentlemen once there.

"We wanted our members to leave the street mentality at home," explains Steve Pemberton '89.



"We've never forgotten where we came from. That's the reason for our intensity."

STEVE PEMBERTON '89



"If you came to a meeting without a shirt and tie, you had to go home and change. If you referred to women in a derogatory fashion, we checked you on it."

By making the club selective and demanding, Pierre made it serious. "This was not a social club," says Hervé François '90. "If you wanted to dilly-dally around, then you went and joined the Dilly-dally Club." The Talented Tenth was to be a crucible and a launching pad; its goal, a brotherhood of proud, articulate, community-minded achievers.

Among the members gathered on the Vineyard in July—men still in their twenties—mainstream success is the common glinting coin: businessmen and lawyers, graduate students and academic administrators, they are accruing the marks of influence. Alongside the porch, three spiffy new sports cars sit parked in the mud.

Robert James '89, a Pittsburgh lawyer studying for his MBA, says earning money and acquiring advanced degrees are indeed a big part of the Tenth agenda. Badges of success are especially important for black men in a white society, explains John Dowling '91, an accountant in a New York City law firm. "We're not expected, so to speak, to do well," he says, so yardsticks are critical. At the same time, however, the men of the Tenth see themselves as change agents in a debilitated black America.

AHANA's Don Brown rattles off the numbers. One million black men are in prison, accounting for 47 percent of the total inmate population in the United States. One-fourth of all black men are on probation or on parole. The unemployment rate for African-American males hovers at about 12 percent, more than twice the national average; for black teenagers the rate is a staggering 44 percent. Historically, welfare requirements have discouraged black men from staying with their families. "All of these ills," says Brown, "contribute to a dearth of black males in the home."

Giving other African Americans a lift honors the high-minded spirit and vision of Du Bois. But there is more at work here than the pledging of allegiance to an icon. As one reunion participant expresses it: "When we take off the suits and put down the briefcases, who are we as people?"

### The identity war

At the initial meeting of the Talented Tenth in the fall of 1986, club members took turns telling their life stories, each first describing his family and neighborhood and then sketching the

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path by which he had arrived at BC.

Steve Pemberton's story stood out. When he was five years old, growing up in a rough section of New Bedford, Massachusetts, his father was murdered in a drug deal. The killers threatened to come after Steve next. The courts determined that his mother, who was white and an alcoholic, was an unfit parent, and placed him in foster care.

Pemberton calls the next 11 years of his life "a living hell." His foster parents scorned his efforts to widen his horizons through education. They flicked off the lights whenever they saw him try to read, and beat him when they caught him scanning the newspaper. "They broke everything but my spirit," says Pemberton matter-of-factly. Asked to name men he admired growing up, he hesitates. "I remember the postman," he says finally.

Pemberton's experiences made him an edgy survivor. "I was always looking over my shoulder, worried about getting home safe," he says. For him, arriving at BC bore a meaning the average white suburban student could not fathom. "Usually when you go off to college, you're supposed to be breaking away from your family," he says. "When I arrived, I was *looking* for a family."

It took a year to find it. Living among white classmates on the Newton campus—there was only one other African American in his residence hall, Pemberton says—he spent a lot of time educating his peers about black life. Over time, the strain wore on him. "My experience freshman year sparked a desire in me to find a situation where I wouldn't have to do so much educating," he says.

His sophomore year, the Talented Tenth came together. In it, Pemberton says, he found "a sense of belonging, a sense of identification with people who understood my struggles." He was able to let down his guard, freed from the pressure of serving as a spokesman for his race.





**"Did I catch flak about the Tenth being elitist? Initially I did, but it was an educational process."**

**MARTIN PIERRE '89**

Club meetings enabled Pemberton and the other members to steel themselves against two kinds of psychological assault that they experienced daily. The first had to do with the lack of respect accorded African-American students on most campuses. Pemberton says black college students are presumed to be either athletes (61 percent of African-American males on Division I-A college campuses are recruited athletes) or affirmative-action cases given a free ride. Rarely, he says, do black students find recognition for what they have achieved. "If you took the average person on this campus and put them back in our neighborhoods, they wouldn't survive," he charges. "So the issue becomes not Can we survive in your world? but Could you have survived in ours? If we made it here, we deserve your respect. For the majority of people on this campus, going to college is an afterthought, a question of where. For us, it was a question of *if*. Just to get into that dormitory over there was a very long road for some of us."

In addition, black students continually combat a pervasive, warped view of black life that threatens their self-images. "This society always sees the

worst of us," Pemberton says. "Hustling, pimps, people who've always got a basketball in their hand—these are the images we grew up with. As an African American, you find yourself in a cultural war over your identity. It comes down to who you are, and who you know yourself to be, versus how the society defines you."

History makes the difference. As a high-achieving black male, Pemberton is keenly aware of the symbolic burden he bears and of the bitter cultural history that shadows his own achievement. "We are the men our fathers would have become," he says quietly. "I think about that every single day. I carry my father's life with me." To honor his dad's memory, in 1991 Steve changed his last name to Pemberton from Klakowicz, his mother's first husband's name, which Steve was given so the family could receive welfare benefits.

Now a senior assistant director in BC's Office of Undergraduate Admission, Pemberton has made it a personal goal to recruit talented young men and women from his old New Bedford neighborhood and to give them the encouragement he never had. When he came to Boston College, he was the only student from that neighborhood; now there are a dozen.

"They call me Big Daddy or Big Brother," he says with a quick, gratified smile. "That's the Talented Tenth working."

## Pilot light

**A**t first glance, Martin Pierre seems an unlikely leader. Modest and unassuming by nature, he has a trace of a lisp and a sweet, rippling laugh that catches you off guard. But with his low-key determination, Pierre drove the whole rollicking and earnest enterprise.

Back in the early 1980s, living in Brooklyn, Pierre was an exceptional high-school student—he graduated as valedictorian and captain of the track team—caught up in an activity called the Bishop's Leadership Project. The program was designed to build leadership potential among local teens through a series of challenging workshops and retreats. Through it, Pierre developed a sorcerer's touch for bringing out the latent talent and power in those around him.

A sensitive, disciplined student who knew his black history cold and who could and would recite pages of black poetry from memory, Pierre was a natural point man in the drive toward self-esteem among his peers. He had the passion, the skills and the subtle charisma to bring it off. "Martin is a very



# Alumnotes

## Service Overseas

Alumni volunteer service trip to Kingston, Jamaica

Spring break will have a different twist this year at the Alumni Association: in March, the traditional time for college students to head for warmer climates, a group of alumni will be journeying to Kingston, Jamaica for a new community service project.

The Alumni Association and the Ignacio Volunteers of University Chaplaincy are teaming up to offer this international volunteer experience that will give alumni a hands-on opportunity to work with the elderly, the young and others who are disadvantaged. Volunteers will provide support and assistance to residents and staff of various social service agencies in urban areas of Kingston who are working with those in greatest need.

Father Ted Dziak, SJ, director of the Ignacio Volunteers, will facilitate the trip and be present for the experience. The program will be eight to ten days, with tentative dates in early March. Participants will work at one or several sites: a home for the elderly run by Mother

Teresa's Missionaries of Charity; Saint Margaret's, a community center with a health clinic, meals for the elderly, sewing/wood shops for youth and a school for at-risk children; Saint Monica's Home for the elderly and victims of leprosy; and an elementary school in Riverton City, a shanty-town settlement built on the old Kingston city dump.

"This will be a great opportunity," said Father Dziak, "for alumni to share their lives with those who have less, continuing the Jesuit tradition Boston College has instilled in all of us. Though a short, intense time, it's an experience that affects you for years to come."

"The Alumni Association is a leader in community service," said Robert F.X. Hart '60, GSSW '62, spiritual committee chair on the Alumni Board of Directors. "This trip to Jamaica, however, takes service one step further—a short-term in-residence program that removes people from their every day lives to really experience how many others in the world live."

The type of work will vary with each site—assisting with meals and feeding, washing or shaving, entertaining or writing letters, tutoring or physical education/sports, health clinic assistance and physical labor (painting, cleaning, fixing up)—wherever needed. Volunteers will live together in a retreat house in Kingston, and come together each day for prayer and reflection where they can discuss and share the experience.

Prior to the trip, a weekend of prayer and discussion will be offered to all interested alumni. The weekend will be held from Saturday morning, Jan. 20, 1996 to Sunday afternoon, Jan. 21 at Campion Renewal Center in Weston, Mass. The weekend will give alumni a chance to come together, learn more about the program and hear from undergraduate students who have participated in the Jamaica Experience program.

If interested in participating in the overnight or the Jamaica Alumni Experience, contact Father Dziak at University Chaplaincy at (617) 552-3514.

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## HONORS AND ACCOLADES

### *Nominations for Alumni Awards now sought*

**Y**ou know someone we want to know about. It might be a roommate, classmate, neighbor or friend who is outstanding in their profession, their service to their community or to Boston College.

We want to know about them, because each year, the Alumni Association recognizes ten alumni for their achievements and honor and glory they bring to Boston College at the annual Alumni Awards Ceremony. Richard J. O'Brien '58, GSSW '60, chair of the Alumni Board's awards committee, announced that nominations for these awards are now actively being sought.

Alumni can be nominated for awards in the following categories:

- Eight Awards of Excellence, recognizing individuals who have

distinguished themselves in the following fields: Arts and Humanities, Commerce, Education, Health Professions, Law, Public Service, Religion and Science. Boston College involvement is *not* a criterion.

- The Young Alumni Achievement Award, honoring an alumnus or alumna graduating in the past ten years who has shown exceptional service to profession, public service or alma mater.

- The William V. McKenney Award, the Alumni Association's highest honor, recognizing an alumnus or alumna for superlative service to profession, Church and alma mater.

"I am continually amazed at the caliber of alumni that turn up in the nominations each year," said Alumni Association President and past awards committee

chair John P. Connor, Jr., Esq. '65, LAW '68. "The Alumni Awards Ceremony is truly one of the highlights of the year—an impressive display of men and women living the Boston College motto, 'Ever to Excel.'"

This year, the Alumni Awards Ceremony will be held on Friday, May 10 in Robsham Theater. (For a list of last year's recipients, see the photo on page 27 of this section.)

If you have someone in mind you'd like to nominate, please send a letter describing the person's achievements along with any supporting materials to: Richard J. O'Brien '58, GSSW '60, Chair, Awards Committee, Boston College Alumni Association, 825 Centre Street, Newton, MA 02158-2527. Deadline for submissions is December 31.

### MAGIC NIGHT

Over 500 alumni and friends gathered at Fenway Park's 600 Club last April for the "Magic Ball"—the 7th annual Second Helping Black Tie Gala, which raised over \$100,000 for the Alumni Association's perishable food recovery program. Joining the revelry were (l to r) William and Nancy Falcione Wise '71, Joe and Kathy McDonough Hinderhoffer NEW '73 and Patricia Curtin. Next year's gala, which will include live and silent auctions, liveley entertainment and delectable presentation of hors d'oeuvres, main courses and deserts from some of Boston's best caterers, will be held on Saturday, March 31.







## PROGRAMS & EVENTS

### ALUMNI ADMISSION NIGHT

An informational session for children of alumni and their parents on Wed., Jan. 17. Representatives from Undergraduate Admission, Financial Aid and Housing will be on hand to answer questions and discuss procedures and policies. For more information, call (617) 552-4700.

### CAREER SERVICES

Located at 38 Commonwealth Ave., the Career Center is open to alumni throughout the year. Hours are Mon., 9 a.m.-7:30 p.m. and Tues.-Fri., 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Of special interest to alumni are job listings, the Career Information Network and the Career Resource Library. Appointments for career advising, job search and résumé advice may be scheduled by calling (617) 552-3430. For up-to-date info. on alumni programs, call the career program events line at (617) 552-4774.

### Computers for Résumés

Alumni House has two Macintosh computers available for alumni use in preparing résumés and cover letters. This service is free; appointments must be reserved in advance for two-hour slots. Call (617) 552-4700.

### CONTINUING LEARNING

#### The Institute For Learning in Retirement (ILR)

A program of peer-learning for retired and semi-retired persons. Courses include music, art, literature, history and current events. Tuition is \$125 per semester for one course and \$150 per semester for two courses. Spring semester begins Jan. 29. Call (617) 552-2950 for info.

#### School of Nursing

The School of Nursing offers a variety of refresher and update courses to keep you current. For this year's offerings, call (617) 552-4256.

### GIFTS

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## 28

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Since the last edition of *BCM* I have had a most pleasant and informative phone call from Dr. **Joseph L. Quinn**, now in retirement and living permanently in Wilmington, DE. He had unlimited praise for the magazine, because through the years it has kept him in touch with Alma Mater and with all his classmates. He fondly remembers his parochial school days in Somerville, when he was a classmate of both Dr. **John O'Laughlin** of happy memory and also **John Healy**. Dr. Joe, after graduation, received an MS from Boston College and then enrolled at Ohio State, where he earned his doctorate in chemistry. Over the years, he has been associated with the DuPont Chemical Co. and has represented it in administrative positions in Parkersburg, WV; Arlington, NJ; and Orange and Victoria, TX—to name just a few. In closing, he sent his best regards to members of the Class of '28. • Presently living in retirement homes are **Frank Kennedy** in Bedford; **Gene Plocienik** in Bristol, RI; and **John Healy** in Lake Worth, FL. • As I type these notes, our football team is in New Jersey, ready to do battle with Ohio State. May they have luck in all the twelve games of their rugged schedule. • Best wishes to all and please send or call in your news.

## 29

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Hello again! • I've just received a belated notification of the death of our classmate **Keelan Milbury**. He passed on Jan. 22 after a long illness. Keelan lived most of his life in Medford, but owned and operated Hinds Laundry Service in Brookline for many years. He leaves a son, David, of Bar Harbor, ME. • I talked

with John Landrigan, Jr. '74, who told me that his father and our classmate, **John Landrigan**, died on Jan. 22, 1990. May their souls, and those of all our deceased classmates, rest in peace. • On a pleasanter note, I had a chat on the phone with **Francis Voss**. He was operated on for a cancerous tumor in July, but I am happy to report he is now feeling fine. • I assume that our class president **Jim Riley** is enjoying his annual vacation in New Hampshire. • It is a pleasure to see my neighbor **Barr Dolan** frequently. He looks great and is full of pep as always. • We are now in the process of watching Alma Mater undertake the most difficult football schedule in her history. Our cheers and prayers are with the team. Ginnie and I have our usual season tickets and hope to see some of you at a game. • *Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam.*

## 30

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The past quarter was an amalgam of grief and joy. To begin with, we lost **Bill Tracy** of Marblehead; you will remember the terrific party he hosted at the Eastern Yacht Club a few years ago. Bill died April 14 (Good Friday) leaving his widow Dorothy Winslow Tracey, six sons and a daughter. Three sons are BC alumni. The family has lost a devoted father, the College and Class will miss a loyal and generous supporter. Our sympathy and prayers are extended to Mrs. Tracey and family. • June 15 witnessed our 65th reunion held at the Law School's Barat House. Memorial Mass was celebrated by Father Mackin, SJ. Alumni Executive Director John Wissler and his staff outdid themselves in hosting a delightful luncheon and reunion. Unfortunately, a number of surviving members could not attend because of illness or infirmity. Those present with their wives were Dr. **Jim Red** and Ruth Carolan, John and Mary Faricy, Jim and Catherine McGann, Fred and Ramona Lyons, Tom and Mary Perkins, Al and Mary McCarthy, Tom Welch, Nick Wells, Don Robinson, Henry Delaney, and Charlie Rooney's widow, Gertrude. • The reunion also provided an occasion for the veterans of the class to reminisce. Before too many years pass I hope **Tom Perkins** and **Fred Lyons** will put their World War II experiences down on paper. Fred's

story about **Jim Hinkenhof** is a gem and should have a wider audience. I understand that **Nick Wells** also has some memories of the S. Pacific. Let's have them!

## 31

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So many of us enjoyed the friendship of the legendary Joe McKenney that it seems proper for this class to express its condolences to the McKenney family. Joe was more than just a BC football coach (1926); it is probably best stated in the words of his Class yearbook—"In the midst of a host of doers of deeds, everyone outstanding, there stands high above the rest, so placed and recognized by his fellow athletes and students, great big, bashful Joe McKenney, the pride of Brighton; the pride of Boston College." • Our 64th Annual Class Memorial Mass and Luncheon, held June 25, was as usual a joyous occasion with the attendance of 27, including the honored ladies of our late classmates: **Dick Fitzpatrick's** Marion; **George Rowlinson's** Mary; and **John Sullivan's** Marty. **Al Thibault** gave a real wonderful French version of "*Alouette*" and it brought down the house! • On the occasion of a recent conversation with **Ralph Cochrane**, he suggested that because our ranks are dwindling, it might be a good idea to consider a joint annual reunion with '32. As we all have many friends in '32, it seemed worthy of further consideration. Fortunately at the recent Blue Chips Barbecue, your scribe met with '32 class president Dr. Fred Meier, and we discussed the idea. We both agreed that the matter should be brought to the attention of class members to determine if it would meet the approval of the majority of our members; therefore, I anxiously await hearing from all of you as to whether you would approve or disapprove a joint celebration with the '32ers. Kindly write or phone to let me know your preference. • I have just turned off the TV after watching the BC-Ohio game, and although we suffered a loss, I believe we have a strong team and again, in my opinion, BC is "bowl bound" for the third consecutive year. • Again, I would appreciate phone calls and letters in order to make this column interesting and

informative. As you read this magazine, I hope you are enjoying a pleasant fall season and good health.

## 32

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*A note from John Connor:* Dear Classmates: I've worn down my pencil and, rather than buy a new one, I felt it was time to retire after 58 years of trying to keep up with your exploits. With the help of my wife Katherine, I've enjoyed being your correspondent all of these years. The notes and calls I've received from around the country have always found their way into print and kept us close as a class. While I'm passing on the pencil, I will still hope to receive your calls and notes. Best wishes to all from your faithful correspondent, at 24 Crestwood Circle, Norwood, MA 02062. *A note from John Wissler:* The Alumni Association is totally indebted to John for his years of faithful service. We wish him and Katherine many years of health and happiness, while noting that they have the special privilege of observing their son Jack '65 lead our association this year. *And a note from your new correspondent:* There was a changing of the guard at the annual class meeting on June 1. **Peter Quinn** relinquished his post as charge d'affairs, passing the baton to **Fred Meier**, a BC Hall-of-Famer and president emeritus of Salem State College. Fred will carry on with the same zeal and intensity that were the hallmarks of Peter's tenure. As president of the Alumni Association Board of Directors from 1966-1967, Peter cites one accomplishment of which he is particularly proud. At Reunion Weekend '67, he brought to campus the first Pops concert—the forerunner of today's extravaganza. The renowned Arthur Feidler, founder of the Pops, conducted the concert in Roberts Center before an appreciative audience. He returned to campus in 1968 for a repeat performance. • Also stepping down on June 1 was **John Connor**. John chronicled the goings and comings of '32ers for a remarkable 58 years. He has left a heritage of the written word, and also a heritage of loyalty to the University in the Connor name which reflects the family love for Boston College. A list of BC degree-holders from the Connor family follows: John P. '32; Eleanor, his sister, MA



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'32; Frank, his brother, '33; Frank, Jr., his nephew, '72; John P., Jr. '65, LAW '68 and president of the Alumni Association; John's wife Judy '65 and their sons Brian '90, John T. '93 and Gregory '97; Bob and his wife Jody '65; John P.'s son-in-law William Fallon '66 and his son Jonathon '94. • Keep cool out there—don't forget to write.

## 33

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**Rev. Daniel F. Ford** died April 24, 1994. At the time of his death he was residing at Holy Name Friary in Ringwood, NJ. • **Arthur F.F. Ward** passed away Nov. 23, 1994 in Methuen. He had been on the staff of Lawrence High School for 40 years when he retired in '80. • **Bill Hogan, Sr.**, is justifiably proud of his grandson of the same name who is captain-elect of the hockey team at Trinity College, Hartford, CT. His father, Bill Hogan, Jr., is now of Pepper Pike, OH. • Another proud grandparent is **Dick McGivern** whose grandson, Richard Bell, a graduate of BC High, received a scholarship at BU. • Two other classmates passed away during the summer: **Father George Lawlor** died Aug. 6, apparently of a heart attack in L.A. while undergoing surgery. Also a graduate of BC High, he entered the Society of Jesus after BC and was ordained in '44. He served on the BC faculty from '45 until his retirement in '77. During this time he was a professor of biology and

psychology, and at the time of his retirement, was director of counseling. Father Lawlor was always noted for his constant activity and friendliness. He served on the boards of many, many civic and community organizations. • The other classmate was **John F. Dobbin**, probably the most decorated World War II veteran to graduate from BC. He died of pneumonia in Winter Park, FL on July 29. As a pilot in the Pacific Theater during World War II, he shot down six Japanese planes during the first year of the war to become one of the country's first aces. He was awarded the Navy Cross, a Distinguished Flying Cross, an Air Medal and a Presidential Citation. In a letter to his family in Brighton in Oct. '43, he was reported to have said, "The medals don't count too much as they are a symbol of opportunity. It's like a perfect play in basketball where everyone on the team does his job perfectly at the right moment, allowing one man to shoot the basket. The work-a-day heroes, like the boys who fly the patrol planes every day searching for the enemy, are by far the bravest of all. They fly one day, rest the next, on and off, and they know the time they sight an enemy concentration, they will just have time to report it, maybe, before they are blasted out of the sky." He became one of the youngest generals in Marine Corps history at the age of 48, and was Chief of Staff of the Fleet Marines Force Air and commander of the Third Marine Corps Wing, stationed in El Toro, CA before his retirement after 31 years of service. • Sorry to report **Phil Dooley's** death on Jan. 15. He had been sick for a year with Lou Gehrig's disease. His widow Lucille resides at 112 Sunset Court, HC73, Box 800B, Locust Grove, VA, 22508. • May they all rest in peace.

## 34

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Fourteen people sat down together in Harwichport this last month to celebrate the birthday of **Neal J. Holland** (indeterminate age), among them **George L. Keleher** and **William J. Parks**. The three are regulars on the local Cape Cod golf courses. • At the other end of our Mass. coast, **Stephen Hansbury** continues to disfigure the fairways on Cape Ann. • **William Carr**,

former Boston School committee-man, is ailing at his S. Boston home. **Rev. Jack Saunders**, an old friend, is a regular visitor. • I am sorry to report that **Rev. Russell Davis**, one of our major musicologists, passed away on September 26. He had been recovering from surgery at his sister's home in Duxbury. • **Rev. George J. Williams** continues to hold court at Regina Cleri in the West End. With him are **Rev. John J. Sheehan** and **Rev. William P. Sullivan**. Msgr. Sullivan and attorney **Robert L. Sullivan** of Watertown are the two remaining class members of the mighty Sullivan clan—eight in all.

## 35

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The 60th anniversary celebration was a great success, with a special round of applause for the Alumni Office—whose unstinting cooperation contributed to the enjoyment of the reunion. We began with Mass celebrated by **Rev. Francis J. Mackin, SJ** at Holy Trinity Chapel on the Newton Campus, and continued with cocktails and a delicious luncheon at Barat House. Present were **Anne and Milt Borenstein**; **Bill Coffey**; **Dib DeStefano**; **Dr. Louise Dooley**; **Bill Fitzsimons**; **Marge and Bill Gallagher**; **John Halloran**; **Bill Hannan**; **Ramona and Dan Holland**; **Bob Huddy**; **Rita Marra Hurley**; **Edna Kelly**; **Dr. Jim McDonough**; **Bob Mead** from Sacramento, CA; **Jack Murphy**, accompanied by his daughter **Kathy**, who was making her first visit to Boston; **Lucille Niles**; **Mary O'Loughlin**; **Marie and Ray Perry**; **Nancy and Tom Ryan**; **Annie and Ed Sullivan**; and **Katie and Walt Sullivan**. Additionally, there were guests who were welcome, but whose names are not available to your correspondent. • Greetings were received from many other classmates who were unable to join the festivities. • The lengthening roll of our deceased classmates continues to grow, and we extend our heartfelt sympathy to the relatives and friends of the following: **Capt. Charles Chick Featherstone, USNR (Ret.)**; **Daniel P. Keenan**, retired director of training at the US Dept. of Justice; **Jim McLaughlin, MD**, United States Navy captain and professor emeritus at BU; **Henry Sheehan**, retired from the Civil Service and US General Service Administration; **Dr. Joe Riley**, beloved practitioner

of family medicine in Waltham and who, as noted in a prior issue, was honored on his retirement by the community. • Attention, please! Due to circumstances beyond his control, your correspondent is forced by medical emergency to yield the assignment of reporting on '35 news. Interested candidates should contact **Maura Scully** at the Alumni Office without delay. • So long from your retiring class correspondent!

## 36

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Ran into **Bill McConner** this summer up at Rye Beach, NH, where he and his wife **Agnes** have a beautiful oceanfront home. Bill was in insurance in Lawrence before his retirement. We had a nice visit and had a chance to talk about '36 days and classmates. Bill and Agnes hope to make the 60th luncheon. • Recently, at the Cedar Hill Golf Club in Stoughton, a fellow golfer asked **Steve Hart** if he could play along. After the two had played the first hole, a light dawned! They recognized each other—**Mo Parker** was the other golfer! Hope you had a most enjoyable day, Steve and Mo! • The sympathy and prayers of the class are offered to **Fr. Tom Navien** on the death of his brother **Paul** last June. **Fr. Tom** said the funeral Mass in St. Patrick's in Falmouth. • **Fr. Donald Jim Keenan, CP** died in June. **Fr. Jim** left us after freshman year to go into the seminary, and had become a missionary serving in many parts of the world. After retiring to his home in Malden, he served as chaplain of the Malden Police Dept. Although he left BC, he once told me he always considered himself a "full-fledged '36er." • **John Riordan** of Falls Church, VA died in August. The funeral Mass was in Falls Church, and John was buried in New Calvary Cemetery in Roslindale. He had worked as a scientist for the federal government prior to his retirement. The prayers and sympathy of the class are extended to the families and friends of all our deceased class members. • Our 60th will be coming up next May. Watch for news from **Brendon Shea**.

### KEEP IN TOUCH

Have you recently moved, changed jobs or gotten married? Call us to update your record so we can keep you up-to-date on friends, classmates and BC happenings. You can call (617) 552-3440 to change your record by phone, fax (617) 552-2894, e-mail [infoserv@hermes.bc.edu](mailto:infoserv@hermes.bc.edu), or drop a postcard to Boston College Information Services, More Hall 220, Chestnut Hill, MA 02167.



# 37

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We lost **Philip B. Sullivan** on May 27 in Ocala, FL. He leaves his wife Susannah; a son, Philip Jr.; two daughters: Ann Scagel of Bradford and Sister Elaine Lortie of Mobile, AL. They relocated from Bradford to Florida in 1977; the address there is 21419 S.W. Raintree St., Dunnellon, FL 34431. • Lucille and **Bill Doherty** had a mini-reunion at Blue Waters in S. Yarmouth on June 2-4 of this year. Present were Sheila and **Jim Doherty**, Joan and **Tom McDermott**, Helen and **Tom Sheerin**, Della and **John Bonner**, Mary and **Frank McCabe**, Peg and **John Crimmings**, Ann Curtin, Mary McGunnigle, Rita Ford, Alice Lavin and Penny Sullivan. The weather was ideal and all had a good time. • Regards to all from Julia my wife who suffered another stroke in May of this year. At present she is in St. John of God Hospital in Brighton; I hope to have her home soon as her condition improves. Remember all the sick in our class that need our prayers. Remember Audrey Gaquin, **Msgr. Bob Sennott**, **Msgr. John Kielty**, **Eric Stenholm** and many others that may be ill and have not been brought to my attention. • Enjoy life—now. BCing you.

# 38

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Great to see you at our annual memorial Mass and brunch, which was held this year on Wed., Oct. 18 at Barat House on the Newton Campus. • **Bill Finan** has requested \$10 dues be sent to him to help defray class expenses. • Congratulations to **John Janusas**, who was inducted into the BC Hall of Fame at a special dinner on Oct. 30. • Now to report our classmates who have passed away. We just recently learned that **Paul Sharkey** died on Nov. 21, 1994. He had been living in Hollywood, CA. After retiring from the FBI, he had become a self-employed private investigator. • **Jim McDonald** died on May 11. He had been a guidance counselor in the Burlington-Peabody area. • Unfortunately, we

have another death to report—Dr. **Amos Guarente** on March 28. Amos, a practicing physician in Winchester, had three brothers who were also BC grads. • Just as I was submitting these notes, I learned of the death of **Paul Snell** on Aug. 14. The *Quincy Patriot-Ledger* had an extensive obituary for him. A retired sales and training specialist for the Atlantic-Richfield Co., Paul had lived in Plymouth for the past several years. To the families of Amos, Jim, Paul Sharkey and Paul Snell, we offer our sincere sympathy. • Louise and **Joe Connolly** were among the Alaska alumni tour members. • **Dick Gill's** daughter sent to the University a collection of awards, etc. that her father saved over the years. In connection with this, here is an excerpt from the University Historian to Ronald Patkus, director of University archives: "I am transmitting to you the beautiful case of 84 medals won for athletic victories, most in track, by Richard Red Gill '38. I am also committing to the archives Gill's carefully prepared and preserved scrapbook of 114 pages containing clippings with stories of his athletic feats at English High School, Boston College and the BAA. These precious memorabilia have been presented to her father's alma mater by Mrs. Elizabeth Gill Lui." Her address is Sandy Hollow Ranch, 10564 Deerfield Rd., Franktown, CO 80116. • **John Castelli**, his wife Ruth and **Joe Marshall** attended the funeral Mass for Fr. **John McLaughlin**. It was celebrated by Cardinal Law and a large group of fellow priests, parishioners, relatives and friends were present. The Castellis have four grandchildren. John sent me a picture of a 1929 Ford which he had restored beautifully. He is now working on a 1928 Roadster pickup. John also spends his time gardening. He sent beautiful color pictures of his accomplishments. • This year we reviewed the 4th of July parade from the front steps of St. Paul's Church in Hingham. While there we inquired about **Msgr. Pitaro**, who is attached to that church. We were informed that he was at that time in St. Elizabeth's Hospital for surgery. Hope he has a successful recovery. • October was a busy month for us—football games on three consecutive Saturdays, our memorial Mass and brunch on the 18th and the Hall of Fame dinner on the 20th.

# 39

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Received a letter from **Ray Underwood** who, until recently, has been in pretty good health despite a few stays in the hospital. Due to a troublesome knee, he had to resign—at least temporarily—as a Sacristan and Eucharistic Minister at Star of the Sea Church in Honolulu, HI. Although the clergy are from the Society of Mary, Ray did have the services of a good Irish Jesuit, Fr. Bourke, for a year. • Also heard from **Paul Needham**, whose wife Kay recently suffered a heart attack but is now doing very well. Paul served on the World War II Remembrance Committee, collecting donations for a permanent memorial in Walpole for soldiers who died in World War II. • Talked to **Pete Kerr** the other day; he heard from **Jim McGrath** that Mary McGuinness, wife of **Don McGuinness**, recently passed away. She leaves our classmate, who is in the same nursing home in Methuen. Also heard from Pete that Lenora Sughrue, sister-in-law of **Walter Grady**, passed away. • Hope all had a good summer.

# 40

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The ladies of our class enjoyed a lovely luncheon at Wellesley College Club on Sept. 21. This is an annual event enjoyed by a goodly number of wives and widows of our class. It was arranged by Barbara Goodman, widow of Dr. **John Goodman**, who deserves a great deal of credit for the affair. • Just the deceased of two of our classmates to report this quarter. Learned recently of the passing of **William J. Condon** on March 25. A retired attorney living in Larchmont, NY, he graduated BC Law in '47. Also, **James E. Burke** died Aug. 8 at his Brunswick, ME vacation home. He was a retired executive with the Mass. Board of Regents and Dept. of Higher Education. Please keep these men and all other deceased members of the Class of 1940 in your prayers.

# 41

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Please remember in your prayers **James R. Walsh** of Charlestown. He was a Golden Eagle and retired after 30 years working for the government. He also was in World War II. • In July, there was a special event honoring **Bishop Joseph Maguire**. It was the 50th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood. It was a magnificent affair with many clergy in attendance from all over New England. The following classmates were also in attendance: **John Bowes**, **Jack Calahan**, **John Colahan**, **Warren Heffenan**, **Jim Kiely**, **Bob Sliney** and **Nick Sottile**. Fr. **John Keohane** was on the altar. • On Nov. 18, BC is playing Syracuse in football in Syracuse. Nick Sottile and **Frank Galvani** are organizing a trip to the game the day before. The trip, which is part of our 59th anniversary, will be by bus with reservations will be at a local hotel. A fine time will be had by all.

# 42

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Congratulations to Natalie Kane. Perhaps we will now see her more often at class functions. • Kindly remember **Leo Mullin** in your prayers. Leo, a veteran of three wars, died Jan. 14. Sincere sympathies to his widow Gertrude, son Leo III and daughter Kathleen. • Classmates at our annual memorial Mass and luncheon June 6 included Fred Andrews, Ed Browne, Jim Cahalane, Frank Colpoys, Frank D'Ambrosio (who served as deacon), Bill Daly, Frank Dever, Jim Doherty, Bill Duggan, Jack Fitzgerald, Terry Geoghegan, Jack Gibbons, Tony Graffeo, Martin Hansberry, Jack Hart, Tom Hinchey, Gerry Joyce, Louis Kuc, Joe Kelly, John Lane, Frank Mahoney, Ned Martin, Ed McCarthy, Ed McDonald, Jack McMahan, Jim O'Brien, Dave O'Keefe, Fred Seeley, Jim Stanton, Joe Stanton, Leo Strumski, Charlie Sullivan, Bob Troy and yours truly. Most were supervised by their better half. Class widows included Dorothea Cadigan, Mary L. Cronin,



Frances Curry, Marie Driscoll, Eleanor Maguire, Montene Murphy and Mary Reilly. The principal celebrant was **Dan Barrett**. **Sam Lombard** concelebrated and gave the sermon. Also concelebrating were the Thomases Stanton and Maguire. • **Charlie Sullivan** handed me a note signed by **Bob Attridge** which read, "I regret that my wife and I cannot attend the memorial Mass this year. I am competing in a National Golf Tournament." • Along with his note of thanks for our thoughtful remembrance of his 91st birthday, **Fr. John Foley**, SJ, included a note as follows: "It was kind of you to remember my birthday. Perhaps you may relish, as much as I do, the observation of a favorite English author of mine, G.K. Chesterton, 'The first fact about a birthday is that it is a way of affirming defiantly, even flamboyantly, that it is a good thing to be alive.' Keeping one and all of you in my prayers." • Winifred and **Bob Troy** will celebrate their golden wedding in Feb. '96, rather than as previously reported. Also celebrating 50 years together in '96 will be Marguerite and **Dick Carey**, Marie and **Bill Doonan**, Virginia and **Terry Geoghegan**, Rita and **Frank Mahoney**, Mary and **Frank McCue**, Betty and **Frank McCue** and Mary and **Jim Sullivan**. Congratulations. • **Phil Gill** is now living in a nursing home, Windward Gardens, 105 Mechanic St., Camden, ME 04843. • Kindly remember **Joe Shea** in your prayers. Joe died May 23. To his wife Rita and son Kenneth our sincerest sympathies. • Also please remember Margaret Dever, former BC faculty member and widow of **Joe Dever**. She joined him in eternity after a long illness on June 12. Condolences to son Gregory, daughters Miriam, Monica and Elizabeth, and six grandchildren. • Prayers are also requested for Dorothy Seeley, who died June 27. Our sympathies to her husband **Fred Seeley**, sons Patrick, Joseph, Gerald, Steven, Peter and Timothy. • Bette and **Tom Hinchey** are conducting a course, "Truman: From Farmer to President," at BC's Institute for Learning in Retirement.

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Regretfully our column must once again begin with condolences: To

Marion and the family of **Bob Ferry** who left us early to join the Air Force, and died in July. • Also to Marjorie and the family of **Art Jordan**, who died in June in Chatham. Art was one of the old CBA men at Newbury St. and served in the Navy. Thanks to **Dan Healy** for this information. • And last, to the family of **Fr. Gerry Ziegegeist**, MM who died at his sister's home in Plymouth after a long illness in Aug. Fr. Gerry left us after his sophomore year, joined the Maryknoll order and was stationed in Bolivia for many years. He established a cooperative for the Quechua people and was awarded the Heroines de Coronelia medal, the highest civilian award given by Bolivia. Our thanks to **Bob O'Meara** and **Ernie Santosuosso** for this information. • Had a nice note from **Fr. Tom Heath** in Kenya, who just returned from taking some lessons in Swahili, and sends his best to '43. • Also a note from **Bill Amshey** in Virginia who tells us of his prolonged stay in hospital after a heart attack and open heart surgery, but now seems all OK. • Still keeping his hand in the music business, our own **Ernie Santosuosso** had a fine article recently on Tony Bennett appearing in the *Globe*. • Notes for the future: **Eddie O'Connor** says all is set for the '96 theater party at Robsham, where "*Pirates of Penzance*" will be presented April 28. • With many thanks to **Tom Conlon**, the Class will hold its annual Golf Day at the very fine Charles River Country Club on June 7. Details will of course be sent at a later date. • Notes on golf: last spring winners at Wayland: 1st net, **Ray Sisk**; 2nd net, **Tom Manning**; 3rd net, **George Bray**; long drive, **Tom Curry**; nearest pin, **Fr. Bill Commane**; and low gross, Paul Boudreau, Wally's son, who carded a fine 75. • Please don't forget to *keep in touch*.

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We were saddened about the death of Margaret Bane, wife of **Joe Bane**, on July 22. As you may remember, Joe died Nov. 4, 1994. Deacon **Joe Delaney** took part in the burial mass, and **Bill Corkery** and **Jim McSorley** also attended. • In Aug., Megs and **Jim Dowd** went on a two-week European tour which included Denmark, Sweden, Finland, Russia,

Germany, The Netherlands and France. The weather was excellent which made the trip even more enjoyable. • Ella and **John Kavanagh** were members of the alumni tour to Alaska in July. John still speaks glowingly of our 50th reunion! • Class treasurer **Bob O'Leary** of Milton is still practicing law but is starting to wind down. Bob, his son Bob Jr. and twin grandsons James and Brian had their photograph in the spring '95 *BCM* which was taken during the Fides skating party. Bob and his wife Mary have a daughter Beth living in Delaware with her husband and two daughters, and a son Bob Jr. living in N. Easton with his wife and three sons. Bob has a powerboat which he keeps very busy during the summer, is an avid BC rooter, and also plays bridge and chess. They still keep in touch with their suite mates from the 50th: Lois and **Paul Fleming** of Plymouth, Kay and **Jim Travers** of Riverside, RI, and Ann and **Walt Fitzgerald** of Mattapan. They all recently met at a restaurant in Taunton. • The class extends its sympathy to the family of **John Dellea** of Amesbury who died June 16 after fighting an illness the last few years. He and his wife Ellen had been able to celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary in Aug. '94 and also our 50th at the Heights in '95. After Army Air Force service in World War II, he founded the Dellea and Sullivan Trucking business in partnership with Ellen's brother, and continued operating it until '87 when he retired after 38 years. John was active in Middleton town activities. He was chairman of the board of health, president of the board of trade and the historical society. He was also active in the Third Order of St. Dominic. John was a Hospice volunteer; this organization in turn was helpful to him during his illness. John leaves his wife Ellen, 13 children, 29 grandchildren, and one great-grandchild. • **Tom Patten** phoned with the sad news of the death of **Stanley Regan's** twin brother, **Rev. Warren Regan** who died July 19 in Dover, NH. Father had a stroke in '87 which greatly limited his mobility and necessitated his retirement. Fr. Warren saw service as a Marine in the S. Pacific during World War II. After his Dec. '45 discharge, he entered the Jesuits' St. Philip Neri Seminary for Delayed Vocations and was ordained by Bishop Brady for the NH Diocese in '53. At the time of his stroke Father was pastor of St. Ann's in Dover, NH. He then went to live in the nursing home for NH priests. Father Warren leaves his brother

and Stan of Winchester, and a sister Dorothea Hamilton of Johnston, RI.

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Because of space restrictions, my column in the last notes was edited. Therefore, the following notes include the edited items even though they will not be seen or read by those involved until Nov. • I keep getting thank you notes and comments such as "unbelievable," "stupendous," "a lifelong remembrance" about the Golden Eagle weekend. We had 141 people attend the welcoming dinner and 143 at the dinner dance on Saturday night. Sixty-seven, including two wives of deceased members, stayed at the new St. Thomas More Dr. dormitory which was directly across the street from the new cafeteria. The housing staff was very courteous during our stay and I thank them for their help. I also want to thank John Wissler and his alumni staff, especially Patty Anne and Arlene, for their help throughout the planning year. Our thanks also to Mary Lou and her staff at the development office, especially Debra Ashton and her staff, for their direction and assistance in setting our class gift records. Our grateful thanks to Father Monan and the BC community for hosting the Golden Eagle weekend and for the special attention they afforded all of us. Congratulations to all of you once again for your terrific performance with our class gift; the final figures are in and they grew as I knew they would. The total dollar amount of our gift was \$395,000, with 100% participation including 25 annuities. An unbelievable performance that adds to the uniqueness of our great class of 1945. • The various committees and event chairmen will appear in our yearbook which should be in your hands by the time you receive these notes. • The Legends continue their golfing with matches at S. Shore Country Club, Manchester Country Club, Bear Hill Country Club, Vesper Country Club and Wollaston Golf Course. The best part of all these golf outings is the arguments that take place regarding handicaps. **Bill Cornyn** and **Paul Ryder** never agree that they are correct; however, the social part of the day resolves everything. • The sympathy of the class goes to **Carl Galante** whose



brother died this past May. We also lost another classmate, **Bob Murphy**, who died in Tampa, FL this past March. The sympathy of the class also goes to his brothers Rev. Kenneth Murphy, pastor of the Holy Name Church in W. Roxbury and R. Leo Murphy of Hyannis. Bob was the former principal at the Robert Treat Paine school. • "Health Report" is pleased to report that **Dave Carey** is completely recovered and playing very well with the golf Legends. **Joe Devlin** is recovering from his back problems but still is not able to play with Legends. **Bud Curry**'s knee problems are just about over, and he will be joining the Legends very shortly. Other than the usual aches and pains, the rest of the class is OK as far as I know. • I am pleased to report that Peg and Bud Curry were honored as Knight & Lady of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem last Nov. Congratulations to both of them. • That is all for now. More in the next issue.

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Most of our classmates probably don't realize the role our own **John M. Corcoran** has played in supporting the University's development program. In 1983 John founded the Real Estate Council in order to create a highly visible presence in the real estate community. It became the Real Estate and Finance Council in 1994, when the group broadened its mission to include representation from the financial services industry. • As previously reported **Bill Noonan** is a course leader at BC's Institute for Learning in Retirement. The fall session began Sept. 13; Bill

is leading a new course titled "But Who Do You Say I Am?" The course takes participants behind the Gospel to discover the historical Jesus. The class is exploring the humanity of this young Jewish mystic as he struggles with his dual nature. They will perceive Jesus as he comes to understand that he is God and how the events of Easter and beyond proclaim him the Christ of faith. After graduation in '48 Bill attended Dartmouth's Tuck School and Emmanuel College School of Theology and spent 35 years in computer marketing and sales. At the same Institute yours truly is also leading a course—"The History of Boston from 1630 to 1900." As I have stated before, this is a wonderful way to keep your mind busy and active. The Institute is now in its seventh semester and offers a choice of 21 different classes. If any '48ers want more information on this wonderful program which is sponsored by the Alumni Association, just drop me a line or give me a call. • **Father John Flynn**, pastor of St. Maria Goretti's Church in Lynnfield, celebrated his 40th anniversary in the priesthood this past spring. After graduating from Newton High School, John joined the Army and served in the Corps of Engineers in World War II. After the war he entered BC, and after graduation received a master's in history at Columbia. John then entered St. John's Seminary and was ordained in 1945. Before becoming pastor in 1981 he served in five parishes. During his 40 years as a priest he traveled to 52 countries as a pilgrimage director. • Received a very interesting letter from Dr. **Sanford Weinert** of Worcester requesting information regarding some of our classmates. He tells us that he is winding down his career as a urologist with the Fallon Clinic. The Weinerts have three daughters, one of whom is a doctor and another is a lawyer, and a set of boy-girl twin grandchildren. We certainly appreciate and enjoy hearing from our fellow classmates. • Our class was saddened to learn of the passing of **Paul Lovett** of Randolph. Paul was a retired Boston history and English teacher. He attended St. Louis Univ. and received a master's in education at Boston State Teachers College. He is survived by his wife Mary, four sons and two daughters, to whom we extend our heartfelt condolences.

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It is with deep regret that I report the deaths of several of our classmates: **Philip Anderson**, a deacon at St. Paul's Church in Hingham and at St. Mary's in Scituate; **Charles Burke**, a retired manager for Sears Roebuck in Liverpool, NY; **John Hogan**, a retired sales manager for Wyeth Laboratories in N. Andover; and **Bob Najjar** of Rochester, NY, who had a distinguished career with Eastman Kodak Co. Our sympathy is extended to the families of these fine gentlemen. • On June 20, 13 couples had a great voyage in Boston Harbor on the *Spirit of Boston*. Aboard were classmates Arthur Ashur, Bill Butler, Bill Cohan, John Carney, Jack Doherty, Phil Doyle, John Emmons, Bill Flaherty, John Hickey, Bill McCool, Ed Murphy, Bob Schoenfeld and Jack Turner. **John Carney**, who was in charge of the event, reports that Drs. **Doherty** and **Schoenfeld** kept everyone from getting seasick, and also gave lessons on the proper way to dissect the lobsters that were served. • We had a nice note from **Wally Burgess** from Guam. He is looking forward to his annual visit to the States. • This past August, *Industry Week* magazine marked its 25th anniversary. As part of the celebration, officials at the publication asked 25 of America's top management and business professionals to offer their comments on the future of management, industry and the country. Among those chosen were Bill Gates of Microsoft, Newt Gingrich, Ralph Nader—and our own **Robert Bidwell**. "One of the biggest challenges we face over the next 25 years," he asserts, "is to improve the people skills, leadership skills, and communication skills of those who aspire to managerial positions . . . Few of those who manage have ever been trained how." Bob recently authored *Skills for Managerial Excellence*, published by Simon & Schuster. He has taught at the business school at the Univ. of Dayton in Ohio, and has lectured at the Career Development Center at the Univ. of Cincinnati. You can read his entire commentary in the Aug. 21 issue of *IW*. Congratulations, Bob—you've done us proud! • The football season got off to a poor start, but Ohio State was a tough team. We have confidence that at this reading the Eagles have done much better.

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Reunion Weekend '95 was a great success. Our class president, **Bob Harwood**, was very pleased with the results. The following is a list of classmates who attended our 45th reunion dinner-dance: Rev. Joe Duffy, SJ; Fr. John Gaskin, SJ; Ed Brady; Frank Carr; Joe Casey; Henry Cavaliere; Bob Chandler; Ed Clasby; Gerry Coakley; Larry Coen; Janet Coen; Ed Colman; Jim Connelly; Joe Crowley; Tom Cullum; Jerry Curtis; Larry Delaney; Bill Devereaux; Joe Devlin; Bob Schino; Francis Donovan; Bob Egan; Jackie Farrell; Paul Fay; Charlie Field; Brendan Fleming; Bill Franzese; Ralph Galeota; John Garrahan; George Griffin; Bob Harwood; Bill Horrigan; Ken Hughes; Bill Logue; Al Lynch; John Matigan; Ken Malsch; Joe McCaffrey; Bill McCarthy; Jim McDonough; Bill McGagh; Charles Murphy; John Murphy, Jr.; Norman Murray; Frank Nash; Bob O'Brien; George Osganian; John Passanise; Michael Pinelli; Ed Quinn; Bob Savage; Fred Sogin; Emil Strug; John D. Sullivan; Larry Sullivan; Bill Toland; Frank Walley, Jr.; and John Wisniewski. • Bob Harwood has asked me to make a special note concerning **Ed Clasby** and **Paul Fay**, who did such a great job with our reunion gift to Boston College. Our gift totaled \$723,000, with 41% of the class participating. • Bob also wants me to acknowledge **Bill Horrigan**, who did such an out-



standing job as chairman of the dinner-dance committee. • Bob Harwood and his wife Patty spent from July 19–Aug. 2 in Maui, HI and San Francisco, CA. • I left on Aug. 31 for San Antonio, TX for the annual convention of the Battle of the Bulge. On Dec. 6 I am taking a cruise from Chile, South America to Antarctica—a 16-day trip. This should be most interesting. • I went down to the Meadowlands on an Alumni Association bus to watch the Kickoff Classic. **Bob Dischino** was also on the bus. About the only thing I can say of the day's events is that the NFL Giants have a lovely stadium. Boston College has not crossed the goal line in two consecutive football games. They had four field goals at the Aloha Bowl last Dec. and two against Ohio State. No touchdowns in either game. • **Joe Scanlon** writes that he has been teaching *pro bono* mathematics at Shoreless Lake School (run by the Society of Jesus Christ, a Spanish order) after his retirement from Exxon two years ago. Further, "In Samland," a selection of his poetry, has recently been published and favorably received. He also reports that his four children appear to have suffered no ill consequences from both their lack of BC educations and careers in politics. • **James F. Ryan** died on Jan. 15 at the Sacred Heart Nursing Home in Dartmouth. He was a Boston public school teacher before his retirement. Jim served in the US Navy in World War II. He was a member of the Third Order of Carmel and a former president of the Legion of Mary in Marlborough. • **Paul A. Howard** passed away on Feb. 24 in Winthrop. He was a past trustee of the Frost Public Library, a past Winthrop Advisory board member and a US

Army veteran of World War II. He lives his wife Eileen; son Paul of Stratham, NH; son Michael of N. Andover; and three daughters, all of Winthrop. • On behalf of the class, I wish to extend to their families our deepest sympathy.

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**Jack Whelton** retired after 15 years of practicing law and 21 years on the legal staff of the Mass. Land Court. Jack resides in S. Easton where he writes a column for the local newspaper, the *Easton Journal*. • Recent deaths include: **Tom Quinn** of Milton who worked in sales for major corporations and received notoriety for his organization of the reunion of the members of the crew of the ship he was on in World War II and its contact with a German U-boat commander whose crew they had rescued; **Jerry Peters** of Chatham, a retired coordinator/administrator with the Boston Public Schools; **George J. Haykal** of Middleton, who had a general dentistry practice from '58 up until his death; **Charles Jenest**, who retired as a chemical consultant for Arthur D. Little and resided in Franklin where he was active in church, civic and youth affairs; and **Art Collins** of N. Reading who was a staff engineer with Textron in Wilmington. • As noted, this is a reunion year and all of us should make an effort to attend the various functions.

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Our June reunion at the Inn at Mystic in Connecticut was well-attended. There were no big winners at Foxwoods, but we made up for it socially! **Roger Connor** made the arrangements, which included a ter-



**Dottie and Bob Harwood '50** enjoy **Fr. Monan's** company at the 45th reunion dinner-dance held in the New Dining Facility on May 20.

rific buffet at the magnificent Gate House overlooking Mystic Harbor. **George Gallant**, **Frank Dooley**, **Tom Megan**, **Jim Kenneally**, **Gerry Cleary**, **Bob Shea**, **Bill Heavey**, **John Kellaher**, **Tom Cullinan** and **Bob Allen** were there. **Jack Leary** drove down from his new home in New Hampshire. Also attending were **Bill Gauthier**, **Art Powell**, **Hugh Donaghue**, **Tom Dolan**, **Jim Callahan** and **John Healy**. **Al Sexton**, **Lex Blood** and **Dick McLaughlin** drove up from the Cape, where they spent the summer. **Paul Smith** came up from the Carolinas, where he now lives. **Frank McDermott** was with us; he and Lex went to Groton and were so impressed with the nuclear submarines that they discussed the possibility of joining the Navy now that they're retired. Bill Gauthier mentioned a trip to Springfield, but Roger doesn't think we could get there from here, so Roger is seeking an alternative place next year. It was interesting to see four "BC 52" license plates in the parking area, from New Hampshire, Virginia, Massachusetts and Florida. One evening we were having a serious discussion until people started using acronyms and code words such as CYL, but I'm not good at medical terms so I cannot explain further. • **Claire** and **Tom Megan** are beaming over their new granddaughter, also named Claire—congratulations! • I spoke to **Dick Griffiths**, who has retired and lives in Duxbury. • **Bernie Fitzmaurice** also called me, and both asked me to say "hello" to everyone. • I met **Ken Manning** (Natick) down in Yarmouth, where he was enjoying the summer. • Also met **Jim**

**Kenneally** and **Ann Clare** in Dennis as they were trying to escape the heat wave. • **Nick Gallinaro** of GAR International in Hazlet, NJ is on the Business Task Force in New Jersey and was instrumental in drafting recent legislation pertaining to the Export Financing Opportunity Act. Six of these bills drafted were signed into law in Aug. by Gov. Whitman. • From the good news to the sad—I have received notices of deaths of several classmates. **Don Burke**, formerly of Mission Hill and Halifax, died in May. He was a salesman for United Liquors and leaves his wife, Clare; three sons, Donald '74, Paul '83 and John '84; and his daughter Nancy. • **I. Francis Gregory** died in April and is survived by his wife Nancy; sons Frank and John; and daughters Alyce, Linda and Cathryn. Frank was an attorney in Boston. • **Tom Martin**, formerly of Jamaica Plain and Pennsylvania, died in Jan. in Ft. Myers, FL after retiring from the IRS several years ago. • **Cecile A. Sutton** of Meridan, CT passed away in March. • **Dick Clancy** of West Roxbury died in Aug. Dick was a supervisor for New England Telephone and retired several years ago. He leaves his wife Jeanne and three daughters—Janet, Maura and Anne. • Also received word of the death of **Bob Lynch**, formerly of New York, and it is my understanding that he was living in Atlanta. Please remember them all in your prayers. • Well, that's what I have for now; I hope you'll send me any news that you have. The class wants to know what is going on, so please keep me posted.

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Happily we have updates on the unfolding lives of our classmates. **Barbara Powell Good's** new news is that daughter Lillian graduated from Cornell Univ. and will be going to Cornell Veterinary School this fall. Son Freddie, the last of Barbara and Fred's children, is in college at BC. Congratulations to Lillian! • **Sister Marie Cormier**, RCE writes that her continuing work of caring for sick elderly people is a challenge that brings much joy: "The joyful times are the 'Resurrection' moments!" Sister had a week's retreat in Aug., followed by a two week trip to Italy—with five days in Rome, one day in Florence and five days in Assisi. Sister promised to pray for us at all the holy places. The trip is a gift from a gracious friend to Sister Marie and a person whom she can choose to accompany her. • **Barbara Kelly Connelly**, husband Arthur and their youngest son, David, are celebrating their 30th year living in Yarmouth Port, Cape Cod. Barbara is in her 21st year as a reading teacher in the Dennis-Yarmouth schools. Daughter Kelly, her husband David, and their daughter Lill, 2, visited them for a month this past summer. David is a marketing consultant with Sara Lee; they live in Winston-Salem, NC. Son Mark and wife Jennifer, with their 21-month-old child, Dylan, visited them in Aug. Mark is an investment banker with Union Bank of Switzerland in NYC; they live in Westport, CT. Barbara and Arthur are active in the St. Vincent de Paul Society, Pax Christi, the Cape Cod Association for Retarded Citizens and Special Olympics. Hopefully she will keep us updated! • **Alice Ann O'Brien Clifton** wrote that their twin granddaughters, Alice and Dana Walsh, will start nursery school at Sacred Heart, 91st St. Their mother, Suzanne Clifton Walsh, works in admissions and runs a summer creative arts program at SHC. Alice Ann and Peter continue to run

Clifton Associates, a teacher placement agency. • Thank you very much for keeping the news flowing. If anyone has a few minutes to spare as these very gracious classmates did, please dash off a note. We all take great pleasure in keeping in touch!

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It is with great privilege that I assume the responsibility of class correspondent. We all owe a debt of gratitude to **Francis Flannery**, who has performed this task for the last ten years. Francis is VP and treasurer of Suffolk Law School. • Our class has been referred to often by some as part of the "silent generation." But few classes, surely, have contributed so much to the public sector: **Tom Salmon** served as governor of Vermont, **Charles Ferris** was chairman of the Federal Communications System, **Newman Flanagan** was district attorney of Suffolk County, and **John Curtin** served as president of the American Bar Association. And this is just part of a very impressive list. As time goes on, we will be reporting the achievements of other fellow classmates in their various professions. • Looking back to the '95 golf season, we are proud to report on the terrific success in the amateur circuit by **Dick Curley's** son, John. Last year, John went all the way to the national quarter finals. This year, he was a finalist in the Mass. State Amateur and followed that with another great showing in the New England Tournament. It reminds us that Dick was a varsity member of the '54 golf team, along with **Paul O'Connor**, **Jim Kelley** and **John McNiece**. • In conclusion, I am deeply saddened to report the sudden and tragic death of **George McDevitt**—easily one of our most popular classmates. He represented all that we are proud of as BC men. He was an exemplary father to his daughter and five sons and a loving husband to his beautiful wife Bea. He truly lived the BC motto, "Ever to excel." We will really miss this classy guy.

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My thanks to **Barry Noonan** and **Bob Pagliarulo** for sending me copies of the excellent pictures which they took at our 40th. I'm going to assemble them, and any others I receive, in an album. That, plus the memory book, will make up a nice historical capsule for us to look at as we celebrate our 45th and 50th! I even have pictures of the float that members of our class made for the Homecoming Parade during our 25th year. We won a prize. Remember?! • The last column prompted two wonderful phone calls to this number. **Nancy Costello Townley** had hoped to come to our party, but had two graduations. One of her daughters graduated from Creighton Univ., and her tenth child graduated from high school. He entered Creighton this fall. This means all ten of her children will eventually be Creighton alums. Nancy's call was followed by **Jane O'Donnell's**. Jane is a chief nurse at a Veterans' Administration hospital in Gainesville, FL. Jane reported that her brother had been killed just before Christmas last year. I know how a loss, especially during the holiday season, affects the holidays, so my heart will be with her in a special way. • I also want to send my sympathy, in the name of our classmates, to the families of **Walter Lethin** and **Bill Flanagan**, who both recently passed away. Walter had been ordained a deacon and also was manager of business planning for Honeywell in Billerica. Bill was VP and CFO of Harvard Apparatus. He was very active in Needham, serving on the board of directors of the Needham Exchange Club, treasurer of the Little League, head of the 4th of July parade committees as well as being active in the Boy Scouts. • Our class also saw two faculty members make their way home to God. Fr. George Lawlor, SJ died unexpectedly in California, and Mary Kennedy died after a long illness. As we honor the memories of all who served in World War II during this anniversary year, it is fitting that we remember Mary and all the nurses, whose stories are seldom told but who gave so much. If you recall, Mary's transport ship was torpedoed and, after rescue, she spent the rest of the war in Africa. Both Mary and Fr. Lawlor gave much of themselves in the practice of their

professions and we are all better for having had them touch our lives. • Now that our 40th is over, I'm receiving very little mail from you. Please help with my next column, due Dec. 1. I'll close by wishing that your holiday season is filled with peace, love and beautiful memories.

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The Class Committee has mailed information on the schedule leading up to our 20-20 (20th anniversary of our 20th) reunion on Reunion Weekend, May 18-20. • The Boston Pops concert on the Heights was the first event, followed by the Army football game and the BC Chorale Christmas Concert. • If you follow BC's football fortunes, you know how the game turned out. Regardless, those who went to the pre-game luncheon or post-game reception had a great time. I'll report on attendance at these in my next column. • If you're in the area, perhaps you can make the hockey game against BU on Jan. 12, and the performance of Gilbert and Sullivan's "Pirates of Penzance" at Robsham Theater on campus in April. • The class will, as always, have a good turnout for the Laetare Sunday Mass and Communion Breakfast on March 17, thanks to the sterling work of **Claire Hoban McCormack** and **Jack McCarthy**. • Activities planned for Reunion Weekend include a golf tournament on Friday with Jack McCarthy and **Ed Carroll** as co-chairmen; Saturday will feature a Trolley Tour of Boston and a "Get Re-acquainted Get-together" for the evening. • Class of '56 quality notes! The Secretary of Defense has asked Rear Admiral (Ret.) **Roberta Hazard** to participate full-time in the task force on Service Quality of Life. • A recent column in the *Boston Globe* summarized **Leo Power's** career in the New England Chapter of the US Tennis Association. When he complained about conditions in the mid-'70s, he was invited to volunteer. By



'77, he was chairman of the junior competition committee; in '84, he won the Gardner Chase award as USTA-New England man of the year; in '87, he started four years as chapter president; and last year he was named to the 14-member board of directors. • **Kathleen Donovan Goudie** of Petersham describes her month-long tour of Poland and Israel with 24 other American teachers. Kathleen was selected for the tour for her work with Holocaust literature in her classes at Athol Middle School. Accompanied by two survivors of the Warsaw Ghetto Underground, plus second generation children of survivors, the group visited Auschwitz, Birkenau, Majdanek and Treblinka in Poland and were guests at a dinner given by the American ambassador and his family. In Israel, Kathleen studied at Jerusalem's renowned Yad Vashem memorial to the Holocaust and later at the Ghetto Fighters' Kibbutz in Shavei Zion. The group attended a session of the Knesset (Israeli Parliament), and Kathleen elected to make the Stations of the Cross along the Via Dolorosa with the Franciscans on a Friday afternoon. • **Tom Myrick** of Marlborough wrote to inquire if I am the Steve Barry who endured the old wooden track at Alumni Field during the '55-'56 seasons, and later worked for the *Worcester Telegram and Gazette* in Marlborough. Yes, I am, and the day we met on Main St. was a pleasant surprise. Thanks for the note, Tom. • During the Alumni Retreat at Weston, I visited Rev. Frederick Adelman, SJ, who introduced some of us to Scholastic Philosophy via the writings of St. Thomas Aquinas. I told him of being disgusted when I found that Will and Ariel Durant's *History of Philosophy* dismissed Scholastic Philosophy as just "a bunch of monks arguing over how many angels could dance on the head of a pin." When I mentioned my reaction to a friend, he replied, in horror, "You can't reject a whole book on the basis of one statement." I didn't think quickly enough to point out that it must be legitimate if these world-renowned scholars did it. • **Gus Camelio's** daughter, Maria, a UVM graduate, is in a dietary internship at Brigham & Women's Hospital in Boston. A second daughter, Andrea, who graduated from BC, is working in the transplant unit at Univ. of Maryland Hospital. • **Carolyn Kenney Foley** is almost completely recovered from her broken kneecap, reported here earlier as a broken leg. Seems she was crossing the street to buy a Valentine for

Dan and lost her footing. She progressed from crutches to cane, and has abandoned that. • **Jack McCarthy** is undergoing chemotherapy treatment after colon surgery. • Several classmates have passed away. **Tom Bolton** of Braintree died in May. A retired US Navy captain, he was director of underwriting for John Hancock. He leaves his wife, Lillian; three sons, Daniel '88, Michael and James; and three daughters, Katherine Barton, Jeanne Marie Conley '89 and Maureen '95. **Francis X. Curry** of Medfield, owner of Mass. Auto Security, died in Jan. He leaves his wife, Janice; a son, John; and three daughters, Marianne Buehler, Carolyn Brennan, and Jeannine Backliff. • **Joan McGrath Sullivan** of Northampton died in March at Cooley Dickinson Hospital, where she had taught nursing. Joan was former president of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority, a volunteer for the American Heart Association, and coordinated fund-raising for the American Cancer Society for several years. She leaves her husband, Donald; three sons, Dennis, Mark and Neil; and two daughters, Kathleen and Sheila Fleming. • Thanks for the notes and telephone calls; I enjoy hearing from you and passing the news along.

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The hot, dry summer of '95 is now a matter of record, and the current season has been a welcome relief. • Four classmates got together in Anchorage, AK—of all places. **Karl Boll** greeted alumni tour-goers **Dick Gallant**, **John Wissler** and **Nancy Fidelle Miller**. Nancy, who has been living in San Diego, sends regards to her nursing school classmates. • **Dick Dowling**, Bro. **John Collins**, Fr. **Gerry Kelly** and **John Wissler** got together for lunch during the summer. Gerry is starting a three-year assignment as superior of the Maryknolls' local house. A week or so after the lunch, Gerry's mother passed away. Among the

concelebrants was his friend, classmate and fellow Maryknoller, **Tom Ahearn**. Tom had just arrived in the States from Venezuela. • The class board of directors met at Alumni House on Aug. 29. The agenda included final preparations for our annual fall function and some lengthy preliminary discussions on our soon-to-be 40th anniversary. • Our Fall Classic event took place on Oct. 14 after the BC-West Virginia football game. I will pass on further details in the next issue. • **Jim Devlin's** son James was married on Sept. 30 in Wrentham. The reception was held at the Norton Country Club, with some of our classmates in attendance. • **William H. Sullivan** enjoyed the honor of having our classmate, Rev. **Gerald E. Kelly**, MM, officiate at the marriage of his daughter Paula '86 on Aug. 26. Her maid of honor was Bill's daughter Deborah, married to Woodie Briggs '86; his sons Dan '83 and Hank '87 rounded out the wedding party. Bill has eight grandchildren and hopes his oldest granddaughter, Kate, will join BC's Class of 2001. • **Joseph P. Vaccaro**, MBA, JD, is associate professor of marketing at Suffolk Univ. and is also a sales/marketing consultant to many greater Boston firms. He is the author of three textbooks and has published a number of articles on topics such as sales and sales management, advertising, media planning, ethics, marketing law, retailing and market segmentation. • The class extends its condolences to the families of **Francis X. Haessler**, who passed away on May 2; Atty. **Richard H. Jensen** on April 15; **Samuel M. Kenton** on Feb. 7; and **Ralph J. Flynn** on April 22. • Class dues for the new academic year are \$25. Dues are the only source of funding for both present and future class events. The opening celebration of our 40th is less than a year away, with an anticipated full slate of events commencing in the early fall of '96. Therefore, we need your continued financial support and we encourage new dues-paying members. Kindly remit yours to **Bill Tobin**, 181 Central St., Holliston, MA 01746. • Last but not least, please send your news as we head into another big reunion milestone. • Happy Holidays!

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**Dick Simons** of Canton was recently honored with the 1994 Higgins-Hood Award, given to the volunteer who most exemplifies the service mission of the YMCA. Dick, president of Northeast Properties, Inc. of Boston, became involved with the YMCA in the early '70s as a board member of the Ponkapoag Outdoor Center—the Y's campsite in the Blue Hills Reservation in Canton. He moved on to the General Board of Directors of the Greater Boston YMCA in 1980, where he took on a variety of leadership roles and special assignments, most recently as a vice chairman for two years. As chairman of the Property Committee, Dick provided leadership for many branch facility additions and improvements, including construction of the new Waltham YMCA; the \$1.3 million enhancement to North Woods and Pleasant Valley Camps in New Hampshire; and numerous improvements and repairs to all of the Greater Boston branch facilities. Dick, who has resided with his wife Peggy in Canton for over 30 years, is also a trustee of the Mass. Hospital School in Canton and a member of the Canton Building Renovation Committee. • **Dorothy Tully** was a member of the alumni tour to Alaska this past July. She is a teacher in Belmont. • **Mike Kinsella**, MD continues to practice radiology in Andover. • **Ron Kurz** is self-employed and lives in Garden City, NY. • **John Kudzma** is CFO of CYN Environmental Services and lives in Wenham. • **Eugene Lane** is senior VP of corporate insurance for Baybank in Boston. • **Eugene Lawlor** has retired from AT&T and lives in Benicia, CA. • **Richard Mandile** has retired from the Rockland school system and lives in Marshfield. • **Tom Mahoney** is president of TJ Mahoney & Associates, an advertising and public relations firm. He lives in Milton. • **Ed McGowan** is district sales manager for Holopane Lighting Co. in Lake Forest, IL. • **Bob Pickette** is president of Corcoran Management Co. and lives in Boston. • **Dick Pieri**, living in Holbrook, is a teacher at Brighton High School. • **Rene Pinault** continues to practice law on the Cape. • **Bob Quinan**, Esq. is VP for Boston Safe Deposit and Trust and resides in Wellesley. • **Bernie**



**Senick** has retired from teaching and lives in San Diego. • **Dick Testori** is a senior claims rep. for Charter Insurance in Dallas, TX. • **Emil Thibault** has retired to Hilton Head. • **John Vancini** is a psychologist in Robbinsdale, MN. • **Peter Victory** has retired from Gillette and lives in Salem. • **Wally Vaughn** is a principal in the Natick public schools and lives in Franklin. • **Art Volpe** is a dentist practicing in Attleboro. • **Alex Wilson** is a senior lecturer in history at Northeastern Univ. • **Bill Sweeney**, living in Barrington, is executive VP of the Hospital Association of Rhode Island. • Condolences of the class go out to the family of **Fred Holbrow**, who passed away in June after a battle with cancer. For many years, Fred was an active member of our class and a staunch supporter of BC athletics. He was a lawyer who practiced and lived in Quincy. He was also a member of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Co. of Massachusetts and wore his uniform proudly in many parades and special events. He traveled widely with the unit in its jaunts around the world. He will be sorely missed. • **Barbara Lyons Bernard** is a freelance writer living in Burke Center, VA. • **Dick Bertocchi**, living in Milton, is the owner of the Jordan Book Co. in Stoughton. • **George Bigelow** is the account director for the Standard Register Co. in Pittsfield. • **Gil Boule**, living in W. Newton, is a teacher in Needham. • **Fred Bostolussi**, living in Walpole, has retired from Raytheon. • **Ed Bunyon** is the owner of New England Sports Products in Belmont. • **John Cadigan** is president of Cambridge Valve and Fitting and lives in Arlington. • **Ed Cannon** is a policy advisor for the US Coast Guard in Washington. • **Everett Casey** is a professor at Alma Mater. • **Bill Charron**, an avid BC football fan, is president of IDK Industries in Randolph. • **Bill Casey**, Esq. is magistrate of the Southern Essex District Court in Lynn. • **Bob Cassidy** is a teacher in Revere. • **Norman Clairmont**, living in Windham, NH, is a retired captain for USAir. • **John Clougherty**, MD continues to practice pediatrics at Children's Hospital in Boston. • **John Connelly** is a special agent for the US Secret Service in Boston. • Belated condolences to **Bob Louth** on the death of his wife Joan, who passed away in Stamford, CT on Dec. 18, 1993. She had ovarian cancer. Bob, who lives in Marblehead, retired from IBM and now does advertising work as a consultant. Bob's son Jack gradu-

ated from BC in '87. • Condolences to the class also go out to **Dottie Sollitto Hiltz**, who recently lost both of her parents within one week's time. • Sympathy to the family of **Frank Casey** of Brookline, who passed away. • Don't forget to send your \$25 class dues to **Jack Mucca McDevitt** at 28 Cedar Rd., Medford, MA 02155.

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**Jim Curtin's** youngest daughter Maureen graduated from BC in '95. Four other children also graduated from BC: Jackie '83, Kathleen '85, Julie '90 and Mary '92. Jim, Jr. graduated from Harvard in '82 as did Kevin in '87. All three boys played baseball in college. • **Jimmy Cotter** has been a counselor and football coach at BC High since 1960 and begins his 32nd year as head football coach in Sept. He was just inducted into the Mass. Football Coaches' Hall of Fame. Daughter Grace Ann Regan graduated from BC in '82. She was a former Jesuit volunteer in Belize and is director of development at Mt. Alvernia School in Chestnut Hill. She has two daughters. Jim's other daughter, Kelly Ann Kostenbauer, graduated from BC's School of Nursing in '85. After a two-year stint at the Univ. of Vermont, she went on to Traveling Nursing in Wyoming and Colorado. She lived in Colorado Springs and returned to Boston with her husband in 1994. She is a cardiac ICU nurse at N.E. Medical Center and is the mother of Ann Grace Kostenbauer. Congratulations to both Jim Curtin and Jim Cotter on their tremendous achievements in both family and career. • **Brendan and Ashley Agapian Magee** tied the knot in Chapel, NC on Aug. 19. Brendan, fine son of **John Magee**, is employed by Smith Barney & Co. in Charleston, SC. He graduated from Winthrop College and did post-graduate work at BC as a graduate assistant under Coach Jim O'Brien for two years. Fr. **Billy Sullivan** gave his blessings at beau-

tiful Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church in Chapel Hill. In attendance were **Jack Harrington** of Houston, TX and Santa Fe, NM, and **Billy Fitzpatrick** of Larchmont, NY. Also present were Tom Kearns of Darien, CT and Bobby Cunningham of Chapel Hill—two starters from the famous UNC NCAA championship team of 1957, which beat Kansas and Wilt Chamberlain by a score of 54-53 in triple overtime. • **Jack Dowling's** daughter Pamela, 29, was married recently at the Hotel Millennium in NYC, overlooking beautiful New York Harbor. • Condolences of the class to the families of **Jack Dennehy** of Laguna Hills, CA; **John Finn** of Augusta, ME; and **Florence Michaud Bourcier** of Clarks Green, PA. May the good Lord grant them eternal rest. • **Shoff Darby Companies, Inc.** of Norwalk, CT, a property casualty agency of which I am chairman of the board, opened an office on 28 Church St. in Winchester last year under the tutelage of **Bill Shields**, a lifelong resident of Winchester. On Aug. 15 I had to make a business trip to visit our office and Bill just happened to have tickets to the Red Sox game for that evening. At 6 pm, en route to Fenway, I called **Peter Derba** at Town Line Restaurant just to say hello. He wasn't in, but I spoke with Bob Derba, who informed me that Peter would be at Fenway that night for his annual Red Sox game. Bob gave me the section and seat number. In the third inning, I wandered by the section. The "That can't be Luke," look on Peter's face was priceless! We sat for two innings. He told me that he and Carol and Tom and **Tina Beatty** were going to the Kick-off Classic for the BC-Ohio State game at the Meadowlands, and asked if I could join them. Luckily, I had a previous commitment!

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Condolences to the families of deceased class members; you are asked

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to remember them in your prayers. **Richard F. Murphy** of Needham, a human resources executive with EG&G for 35 years, died in Feb. **William L. Hammond** of Marblehead, a retired teacher in his hometown, also died in that month. **Robert J. McDonald** of West Roxbury died in March. The McDonalds had eight children. **Joseph B. Lukas**, Esq. of Milford, CT died in late April. • Congratulations to **Bob Hart**, now of Denver, who was elected to the Alumni Association board of directors as Director, West of the Mississippi for a two-year term. • **Ed Sulesky** is now a grandfather—his first time—with the new arrival in late August. Ed also had a marriage in the family—his second daughter in June. Busy household. • **Robert J. Villiard**, a Dean College professor of biology, was recently appointed to the Mt. Ida College Board of Overseers as well as being assigned to the Academic Development Board for the School of Health. Bob's capacity will involve advising the college on its health and science curricula. • **Judy and Bob Winston** joined the alumni Alaska tour in Anchorage and cruised the Inside Passage to Vancouver, BC. Bob's sister Mary Jane Brooks '62 and her daughter Nancy '91 were also on the tour. • Short column—send me some news.

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Newton's **Mary Turbini** knows the city's every building and its history, because she is a major mover in the real estate business there. This summer she expanded her horizons to include Cambridge Ethnic Festivals, Back Bay House Tours and Boston Walking Histories. Exhausted by local learning, Mary is taking a fall break to tour France and will accompany her Georgetown Univ. professor sister to a Paris seminar. Mary then plans to head north to explore Brittany. Très bon! • **Nancy Hebert Drago** of Canton makes the early a.m. commute to Lexington, where she is CFO for the US Province of the Sisters of Charity of Montreal—better known to lay people as the Grey Nuns. One major project for her is the challenge of converting their huge complex to assisted living status for the Sisters and others. Nancy is the first lay person to assume this daunting title. To make a non-profit organization a profitable facility takes a blend of human resources and business acumen. Recently, Nancy was elected to two boards of directors. She sits on the Archdiocese of Boston's Self-Insurance Group and on the Ministry Development Center for Women Religious. When you see Mary at an Alumni Association meeting, it's easy to understand why she is dynamic and involved. • Our condolences to the family of **Elizabeth Bebe Scheib Anderson** of Darien, CT on her

death in March. She was student in the School of Ed. but did not graduate with us. • From the fire-swept resorts of Long Island's Hamptons came word from Patty and **Jack McDowell** that their home had been spared; they were grateful to all the volunteer firepeople. Jack wrote that they attended the Kickoff Classic only to see the Eagles get their own wings singed. He did make it a better day when he met up with **Paul Brennan & co.** and Patty and **Bob Hannon**. Patty and Jack, an early retiree and former court clerk, plan to winter in their Delray Beach condo and summer in their Hamptons house. It's sounding very good; if we have questions or need addresses for when we're in the neighborhood, we plan on seeing Jack at the 35th. • **Ann Marie Wasilauskas Mulligan**, nurse and Mass. State Health Care Surveyor, shares that she and husband Joe will be attending a fall lawyers' convention in the Windy City. This is viewed as a vacation after having married off sons Mark (Fairfield U.) to Nancy and Joseph (Holy Cross) to Susan. Ann has been honored with a seat on the BC/Brighton-Allston Foundation. The Board, co-chaired by Boston's Mayor Menino and BC's Fr. Monan, is responsible for administering the University's \$75,000 grant to residents of Brighton and Allston as part of the stadium agreement. Ann lives in Brighton and is familiar with its neighborhood concerns. • From this same source comes word of three other SON alumnae. **Clair Lawton**, RN is heading up the Bullock-Lawton Home Health Agency out of Concord. **Maureen O'Neil Looney**, RN is on staff at the Allergy Clinic of Beth Israel Hospital; her two daughters, Marie and Patty, are students at BC and Suffolk Law Schools, respectively. **Chris Murphy Mayor**, RN takes charge of the Office of Ophthalmology at Mass. General. She lives in Belmont. • When he's not teaching creative writing classes at BU, **George Higgins** is doing some writing of his own with his latest novel, *Swan Boats at Four*. Even those not familiar with the Boston setting can still turn to the back cover and see George at the helm, somewhere not on land. Hemingway comes to mind. • Boston's **Peggy Ryan Collins** and husband Chuck enjoyed *al fresco* dining in Pocasset. At the table next to theirs were Avis and **Dick Glasheen**. Peggy sometimes sees Dick at church in Needham, where she's a teacher. • R&R for this teacher consisted of heavy sunning and light reading.

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We were all saddened by the death of Sister Margaret Gorman who was an inspiration to us. • Our condolences to **Sallie Ann Dow Casey** on the death of her husband Francis. • **Joan Donohoe O'Neil** is director of operations for the Mass. Office of International Trade. She also found time to serve on the Alumni Board of Directors as a Newton College representative for the past two years. • **Maryann McDonald Barry** enjoys being an associate Realtor with Oakley Real Estate. She services all of greater Boston. • **Babs Kager Tobin** is busy getting her PhD in gerontology at UMass. • **Nancy Simpson Porter** has embarked on a new career as a graphic artist designer. Nancy and husband Ralph were planning a trip to Italy this fall. • As for me, our family had an exciting time planning the July wedding for our daughter Christine at BC's Newton Campus with two receptions following. Among the out-of-town guests were **Alice Alo Coleman Riley** and husband Bob who retired to Florida, and **Carol McGee Gardenier** and husband Bill who reside in Florida. • If you want to see friends and have a good time, mark your calendar now for May 17-19. Come celebrate our 35th Reunion. We had a fantastic 30th with a huge turnout and lots of fun. Let's make the 35th even better! You can make it happen by taking part. If you have any ideas or would like to be on the reunion committee, let me know. I need to hear from all of you so I can pass the information onto the class. Please write.

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**John P. Brennan**, PhD is teaching at Univ. of Calif./Davis. • **Hugh L. Guilderson**, PhD is a professor at BC. • **George M. Perreault**, PhD, who is at Univ. of New Mexico, recently came out with his second poetry book, *Trying To Be Round*. • Another poet, **Bill Costley**, published his fifth poetry chapbook, *Siliconia* (The Beehive Press, Bayonne, NJ). He resides in Wellesley. • Attorney **Paul A. Schneiders** of Canton was elected president of the Norfolk County Bar Assoc. He has a general practice of law in Canton where he serves as town meeting moderator. • Justice **Edward O. Spain** of Troy, NY was appointed to the Third Department Appellate Division in Albany, the second highest court in the state. He won election to state supreme court and, just a year ago, took over for Justice Cardona as the administrative judge for the seven-county region. Spain and his wife Kathleen have six children. • **Charles M. Donahue** of Canton died this spring. He leaves a wife and several stepchildren and grandchildren; the sympathies of the class are extended to them and their families.

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If you don't send notes, I can't write a column! Please take the time—just a few minutes—to jot down happenings in your lives. New grandchildren? New career? New address? New husband? Life's too short, so get busy!

# 64

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**Bill Riley**, a sweetheart of a man, died in August. He was handsome and wonderful, and **Mary Lucid Riley**, his wife, is incredibly brave. Their children, Billy and Alison, are the envy of most parents. • **Dan**



**Benson** wrote almost a year ago—his letter was forwarded to our house in Florida and I received it last April! Dan, a grandfather? I think not! True it is, however, and the lucky girl is called Brittany. Congratulations! Dan and his wife Christine live in Atlanta. They were married a year ago May. Dan's daughter Courtney is Brittany's mother. His daughter Heather graduated from BC in 1990 and is getting her MBA at Emory Univ. His son Keith graduated from Loyola (Maryland) in 1993. Impressive group! • I received a nice letter from **Earl Titlebaum**, who received his MBA from BC in 1964. Earl has moved his law practice from Framingham to Hopkington. He speaks highly of his background in the DA's office, and kindly sent congratulations to our son Marty. Our daughter Mey is with the law firm of Reed, Smith, Shaw & McClay in Washington, DC. As you might guess, Earl, they don't compare salaries for fear of a family rift! • **Jane Beggan McQueeney** and her husband Bill toured Europe this summer. Paul and I worked and spent weekends at the Cape, but *that's okay, Jane!* I haven't spoken to them since their return, but I'm sure our gifts from Gucci are en route from Italy! • **Mary and Tony Baldwin's** son Chris was married in Madrid last Christmas. The wedding sounded exquisite! • Paul and I settled our Mary Liz '97 into an apartment in Cleveland Circle overlooking MaryAnn's, which is equivalent to our Tam—need I say more? Her brother moved her in and mentioned to Paul that he hoped his dad hadn't strained himself carrying the sandwiches. Flip? That trait certainly didn't come from my side! • **Martha Gordon Guilette** has received many awards for her watercolor paintings, as has **Celia Connell McDonough**. Due to limitations of space in this column, I can't list them all—but they are, indeed, prestigious! Martha will be exhibiting her work at the Rhode Island Watercolor Society from Nov. 15–Nov. 21, 1995. Celia exhibited in Peabody on Sept. 17. • As I continue to work on my stick figures, please send news!

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Summer heat must have kept communications sluggish, because I've

heard from only one classmate for this issue. Basil and **Ann Marie DeNisco L'Abbate** have moved to Greenwich, CT for a while. Basil has retired after 35 years of teaching and their son Marco starts at Monmouth Univ. this fall. Pete and Judy **Ernst Tortora** are their neighbors. • In the "small world" department . . . while Chuck and I were having dinner with the parents of our daughter Sarah's beau, I learned that **Helen Herbert Hand** is his mother's first cousin. • More news from Chicago—**Ruth Craddock Jennings** is teaching English at the highly-ranked New Trier High School in Winnetka; Ray and **Patty Thomas Gass** visited China in September. • Condolences to **Ann Bohlen Mommsen** on the death of her mother. • Please let me hear from you!

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**Hugh Barry** has joined the staff of The Howard Insurance Agency in Dover-Foxcroft, ME. Barry is a past president of the Maine Association of Life Underwriters. He and his wife Marie live in Hermon with daughter Kate and son Tom. • **Dave Falwell** writes that he is embarking on a new career. He has accepted a position with Omega Performance Corp. and will become managing director for the Far East. He and his family will relocate to Sydney, Australia. We wish Dave and his family well on this exciting adventure. • **John Vernon's** fourth novel, *All For Love: Baby Doe and Silver Dollar*, has just been published by Simon & Schuster. His son Charles is a Presidential Scholar at BC in the class of 1998. • Unfortunately this is all the news for this issue so please drop me a line.

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I take on the task of class correspondent with my usual ambivalence. *Plus ça change....?* **Gretchen Monagan Sterling** deserves enormous appreciation for her recent years of efforts to keep us in touch with one an-

other, and also some rest from her labors. She made a good Tom Sawyer-like case—true, I surprised myself with my enthusiasm for the 30th reunion questionnaire and the opportunity it offered to reestablish contact. So here you find me, with some residual reunion commentary: it was a success, thanks to the persistence of the ad hoc organizers, **Priscilla Durkin, Donna Ciannelli, Gerry Murray** and Gretchen Sterling, measured by the turnout (40), warm communications from **Lin O'Malley Butler**, and an additional dozen or so others who reported in they would like very much to be there but had a conflict with family commitments in other locations; and the high response rate on the questionnaire (50-60% in by the eve of the reunion, plus a handful in the following days). • **Suzanne Huyot Matthau** will send you the videotape of the impromptu interviews at the Saturday night party recalling great moments at 885 Centre St. in the early '60s. Send a check (\$20.00 for production and mailing costs) to her at 1055 River Rd., Apt. #611-S, Edgewater, NJ 07020. • By the time you read this, you will have received a draft summary of the questionnaire returns, including the interesting comparisons with the classes of '61 and '66. Surprise or no surprise: 77% of us work full-time (higher proportion than our near contemporaries, at 16% and 55% at the time of their surveys); 82% are satisfied with our jobs/careers; 53% report we spend too little time on reading and other leisure activities, and some of us even wonder if it's "too selfish" to want more time for ourselves at this stage of our lives! (Having myself spent two weeks doing watercolors at a painting school in the south of France this past July, I'm easily persuaded that mid-life self-indulgence is generally good.) • A final follow-up project to the 30th Reunion effort is the compilation of an address list of our class (with thanks to the precedent reported in class notes of the Class of 1964 in earlier issues of this magazine) which should be ready for mailing before year's end. • Meanwhile, I await your news for future items, an exemplary one being the following: Married: **Catherine Thompson, Esq.**, on Aug. 19 to Edward Manuel, also an attorney. Wedding preparations included the work of restoration of an 1870s farmhouse, completed just barely in time to host the reception. Their new/old home with its garden (on ten acres of land) in Danbury, CT was, and is, a lovely, romantic setting—this according to

**Susan Casey Engel**, who is an authoritative voice in such matters as one of the class's several experts in Connecticut real estate. • If you can find the time, I'm looking forward to hearing from you.

## 66 REUNION

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By the time you read these notes, our reunion at Pops on the Heights and the BC-Michigan game will be history. Stay tuned for more detailed information in the next issue. Our 30th year of graduation from Alma Mater is finally upon us, and a variety of events is planned to help reacquaint and reconnect us all to BC as it is now and as it was when we were students. • I received a great note from **Bob LeLieuvre**. He has a new position as director of the graduate program in professional counseling and associate professor of psychology at Univ. of Great Falls, MT. He plans to join the gala May reunion and hopes to see many of us in attendance also! • I also received a great note from **Stuart McGregor**. He, his wife and his three boys recently toured the BC campus at the request of his 10-year-old potential Eagle, attended a football scrimmage and a Blue Chips Barbecue—and had a wonderful visit! The Aug. issue of *ABA Journal* had an interesting article featuring comments on litigation by Attorney Stu McGregor, of the Popham Haik Schnobrich & Kaufman law firm in Miami. • **Don Tarzia** forwarded a note of epic proportions to class treasurer **Dane Baird**. He is well, but as he states, 'tuition poor!' His wife Dot is finishing her master's; son Don, Jr. is a senior at St. Anselm; son Anthony is a junior at Stonehill; son Joseph is a sophomore at Catholic Univ. in DC.; son Eric is a frosh at St. Anselm; and son Jeff is in the eighth grade awaiting entrance to BC High. We can all imagine that proud dad and husband isn't working to only keep food on the table, but to keep these schools in business! • And in the Baird family, Dane just returned from a month overseas at American bases; he delivered a paper at Oxford, "*Churchill's use of intelligence during the Battle Of Britain*." He also reminds you to forward your "\$30 for 30 years" dues to help boost our class treasury to him at: 9 Park Ave., Belmont, MA 02178.



• *Requiescat in Pace Eleanor Hack-ing Draghi*, a nurse and active member of the Pelham, NY community, who died Jan. 25. Born in Fall River, Eleanor graduated from BCN with honors. Our deepest condolences to her husband John; children Nicole, Christina and John; and her family. • Our deepest condolences also to the family of **Claire Tyrrell Stephenson**, a BCN classmate who died March 7. • To the family of **John Michael Brosnan** of Palm Beach, FL, who died May 18, we extend our deepest condolences. • With each issue, the list of our deceased classmates grows, and our thoughts and prayers reach out to their families. • Until our next issue, God bless—and I hope to see many of you, your families and friends at one or more of the planned events this year.

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**Medora Dodie Burnett Houston** wrote a newsy letter (wish more of you were so inclined!) encapsulating 27 years of married life. She reports that "during the 'Nam era, John (the best decision I ever made was to accept his proposal) served in Korea. I stayed home. When he returned, we went to Univ. of Illinois and John got his PhD in linguistics while I managed 165 apartments and took care of our firstborn. We've had a fun life so far, living in Saudi Arabia (four years and interesting), Greece (heaven on earth), Iowa, Iran, Illinois, Louisiana and California." John's been at Northrop-Grumman for 20 years, and Dodie's been a teacher most of that time. She's been teaching geography and ancient/medieval history for the past six years and still loves it. Their daughter Jennifer graduated from UC Irvine and San Jose State in design and computers and works for a clothing design company in San Francisco. Alex is a senior at Whittier, and spent the summer in DC, interning at the Office of National Drug Control Policy. Dodie's parents died in '89 and '91, and she still misses them terribly. Though the Houstons love California, Dodie came back to her New England roots this year when she and John bought a summer home in Orleans on the Cape. She promises to make our 30th reunion if at all possible! • Your class secretary was delighted to attend the wedding of

Cynthia Dewar, elder daughter of Tom and **Marilyn Bohrer Dewar**, held on Cape Cod Aug. 19. The reception was held at Wequasset Inn in Chatham, also the location for Marilyn and Tom's wedding in '68—27 years couldn't possibly have passed! All I can say is that Marilyn is an incredible event coordinator; no detail was left unattended, and it was altogether a lovely weekend. Dave and I stopped by Ed and **Maggie Nolan Donovan's** house while we were on the Cape, but their youngest daughter, Liz, a senior at Emerson, reported they were on vacation with Maggie's mother in Prince Edward Island. • Our condolences to the family of Margaret Dever, who died June 12. At the time of her death she was 71 years old, and was the director of BC English dept.'s Abbey Theatre Program in Dublin. During her 20-year career at BC, she served as director of programs for women, and was assistant to the chair of the English dept. before joining the Irish Studies program. She also served as a member of the Mass. Judicial Conduct Commission from '80-'86, and the Mass. Board of Bar Overseers from '87-'90. • Obligatory personal update: this year I was made a VP at Epsilon, and received a post-MBA certificate in marketing management from Northeastern (can't seem to stop going to school!) • Still waiting to hear from volunteers to staff the 30th reunion next spring—please call or write!

## 67

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**Arthur Chadwick** has retired from the jewelry findings business, but discovers retirement rather slow; thus, he is preparing for a new career. Art and Jane have moved from Massachusetts to Virginia, where they are both second-year students at the Regent Univ. School of Counseling, where they both serve as chaplains. They'd love to hear from classmates at their new address, 704 Firethorn Rd., Chesapeake, VA 23320. • **Dr. Michael Ryan** was recently selected to receive the George Washington Honor Medal for Individual Achievement for his contributions to the ROTC program. Mike was selected as one of the few from a list of thousands nominated. He has worked tirelessly over many years to promote ROTC and

military history. The Freedoms Foundation ceremony is planned for this fall. • Your correspondents recently attended a birthday party for **Joe O'Leary**, given on the Cape by his wife Carolyn NC '68 and his family. Also attending were **Dennis Griffin**, MD with wife Maura NC '68; and **Jim Hughes** with wife Suzanne NC '68. Actually, we expect to see a lot of Jim and Suze over the next four years, as their son Matthew and our daughter Laura are both members of the Class of '99 at Connecticut College in New London. • Mary-Anne and I enjoyed a cruise in late Sept. to celebrate our 26th wedding anniversary. • We appreciate hearing from you all, so please drop us a line and let us know what is happening in your life.

## 67N

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**Rosemary Farley** has returned to our class listing! Following Newton, Rosemary earned an MA in Soviet Foreign Policy at Georgetown, and then had to work in an entirely different field—urban planning. For the past 15 years she has been on Cape Cod in another field. She came from Chicago to help guide her parents' last years and stayed on while participating in the growth of the Chatham Council on Aging. Now, as Outreach and Volunteer Coordinator, she is looking into master's programs in social work. Rosemary is part of the singing and camaraderie of a local barbershop group. We both would like to hear from class members traveling on the Cape. • **Denise Hern Wood** was here for less than a day out of her two-year career leave. She expected to read, "do lunch" and start a new job; instead, she chauffeured friends to radiation therapy, obtained a Bentley College certificate in computers in business, and watched over Gerard and Clancey, her new puppy. Dennie is buying Megabucks tickets in preparation for her return to teaching!

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**Richard Kearney** has been elected to the partnership in the Boston office of KPMG Peat Marwick LLP. He is a member of the strategic services practice and specializes in systems integration and software quality assurance. He is also on the editorial board of *Computerworld* magazine. Richard and his wife Mercedes live with their daughter Mercedes Leigh in Hingham. • A fine tribute to **Jacqueline DeMartino O'Neill** recently appeared in an editorial in *The Boston Globe*. Jackie was highlighted in a column for her work as the staff director for the president of Harvard Univ., Neil Rudenstine. Jackie was described as Rudenstine's "helping hand" and "right-hand woman" for her roles both in directing strategic planning and managing and monitoring Rudenstine's schedule, public appearances and meetings with university officials. Our class was so fortunate to enjoy Jackie's skills in organizing our 25th anniversary dinner-dance! • Exciting changes for the Days. Jim and I returned from Barcelona in July. Before our belongings were delivered to the US, Jim changed companies; we now live in Los Angeles. We sold our house in Fairfield, CT and bought a condo in the city. Just perfect for us empty-nested Eagles; it reminds us so much of the Mediterranean and our happiness in Europe.

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**Joanne Capuano Brennan** is director, information systems and administrative service, at M.W. Carr & Co. Joanne, husband Bob and daughter Megan, 14, live in Somerville. The Brennans have become quite a BC family: son Rob '93 is in his third year at BC Law; daughter Dana



graduated from BC in May '95, and daughter Michelle is a senior at BC. • **Bill End** has joined Cornerstone Group in Boston as managing partner and joint venture capitalist. Bill was previously president and chief executive officer of Lands' End. • **Ed Boulay** is partner, chief operating officer and actuary for the Moynihan companies in Worcester. Ed and wife Jill are the proud parents of four: Scott, 22, WPI '95; Todd, 20, Bryant College '96; Craig, 17; and Michelle, 8. The Boulays live in Shrewsbury. • **Paul Branca** is a personnel consultant with Romac & Associates. Daughter Stephanie graduated this year from Univ. of Vermont, and son Michael is a senior at Colby College. Paul, wife Kathy and son Philip, 14 reside in Milton. • **Linda Hoard** is VP and assistant general counsel at Mass. Financial Services. Linda resides in Needham. • **Bob Horan** is controller at AT&T consumer products. Bob, wife Gina, daughter Caitlin, 10 and son Christopher, 6 live in Basking Ridge, NJ.

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## 71 REUNION

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What do the following fellow classmates have in common? Joanne Burns Glynn, Jim Engler, Michael Costello, Paul Cronin, Bob Griffin, Mark Holland, Shelia Keady-Buttaro, Bob Maguire, Rick

Amirault, Phil Tracey, Joe Maher, Fr. Tom Maguire, Jim Deveney, Ellen Delaney, Mary Bronski, Brian Shaughnessy, Barbara Delutus, Pete Maguire, Ron Matascio, and Joe and Mary Rull? Under the leadership of **Ed Saunders**, the group has planned a fantastic and varied array of activities spanning Sept. to May. The group has been meeting since April with alumni office staff to create what has proven to be a highly successful series of events. Reunion happenings kicked off with the excitement of the Michigan game on Sept. 16. The stadium's atmosphere immediately rekindled BC spirit and helped to renew old bonds and friendships. Preceding the game, the class enjoyed a tailgate alternative—a terrific buffet held at the recently renovated Fulton Atrium. On Fri., Dec. 8, the chorale entertained class members with their traditional yet festive Christmas concert at the Newton campus. This seasonal event surely added to our Yuletide spirit. The presentation was followed by a coffee hour at Barat House. If you haven't been able to participate yet, then all the more reason to make sure you are able to attend at least one of the other events planned: coming attractions include a Feb. skating party in Conte Forum; Laetare Sunday on March 17; "Pirates of Penzance" and reception on April 27; and, the highlight of the plan, the reunion weekend social on Saturday evening, May 18. Specifics will be included in reunion mailings, but *save the dates!* Hope to see all of you!—*Your reunion committee*

## 71N REUNION

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It was wonderful to hear from **Betty Menaghan**, who is a professor in the sociology dept. at Ohio State Univ. Betty and a colleague, Toby Parcel, have published a book, *Parents' Jobs and Children's Lives* (New York: Aldine, 1994). The book summarizes their research over the last few years. She is currently studying social factors shaping children's likelihood of behavior problems using a national sample of children initially aged 6 and 7. Next year Betty will be serving as acting chair for the department. Her husband, Jim Phelan, is a professor and chair of the English dept. at Ohio State. Their daughter, Cathleen, 16, just became

a licensed driver. Son Michael, 12, is beginning seventh grade and solving all of Betty's computer problems. • As you know, our 25th reunion will be held in May '96. If you need to get in touch with anyone, write, call or fax; I can help out with the address. I hope to see everyone there. Please send news. Enjoy.

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I had only one correspondent again this time, so this will be another brief column. **Jeff Plum**, an attorney with a major Baltimore law firm, wrote to question my description of **Joe Ahearn's** baseball prowess in the last issue. • Speaking of attorneys, former soccer star **Chris Mansfield** has his picture on the front page of the *Corporate Legal Times* for Aug. The article describes him as heading up one of the largest corporate legal departments in the country at Liberty Mutual Life Insurance. One of the 513 attorneys who report to him is **Tom Fleisher**. • Also in Boston, **Maryann Gilligan Suydam** has been named assistant VP of Beacon Management Co., managers of commercial real estate. • Here on the Left Coast, **Brian Corrigan** is a new VP with Wells Fargo Bank, and **John Coll** reports that now that he's a director of the Santa Ana Country Club; two of his fellow members are baseball greats Bert Blyleven and Chuck Finley.

## 72N

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We join with all members of the Newton College and BC community in praying for the repose of the soul of Margaret Dever who passed away in June. Mrs. Dever had been the director of the BC English dept.'s program in Dublin. • The Studio of **Martha Burns** Interior, Textile, and Furniture Design in NYC provides a design resource for individuals and businesses seeking innovative, tailored solutions to problems evolving from changing living and working patterns. The Studio allows Martha to return to the intimate involvement in design and the

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Have you recently moved, changed jobs or gotten married? Call us to update your record so we can keep you up-to-date on friends, classmates and BC happenings. You can call (617) 552-3440 to change your record by phone, fax (617) 552-2894, e-mail [infoserv@hermes.bc.edu](mailto:infoserv@hermes.bc.edu), or drop a postcard to Boston College Information Services, More Hall 220, Chestnut Hill, MA 02167.

personal working relationships that are her first love and that form the real foundation of quality design. Martha's architectural and design experience includes being a designer on the staff of the office of Frank Kennett, a residential practice in New England, working with Peter Ueberroth designing and staging the '84 Olympic Games in L.A. and later with David Wolper on the Statue of Liberty Centennial Celebration, and being president of Fox and Fowle Interiors. As an apprentice weaver to the seminal American designer Jack Lenor Larsen, Martha learned the discipline required for even, consistent movement in recreating historic textiles. Design writer and editor Beverly Russell described Martha as a "purist" in her recent book *Women of Design*. "The traditional trappings of beauty and comfort," Ms. Russell writes, "are the concerns of those designers categorized as purist." • **Peggy Monahan Cheney** started a new career selling real estate in her home town of Bedford. Peggy reports that she is constantly in her car driving her son to sporting events or practice for them. With the rest of her time, Peggy is a Eucharist minister in her parish, a coordinator for the First Eucharist program, VP of the Bedford High School PTA and a member of the All Night Graduation Party Committee. • **Betsy Leece Conte** visited **Lisa Kirby Greissing** during the summer. Lisa and Ed's second son, Chris, will be attending Georgetown this fall. • After a busy season as chaplain to the BC basketball team Father Robert Braunreuther, SJ visited Germany. • **Adrienne Tarr Free** is now planning the next spring tea for Newton



alumnae in the Washington area. Please contact Adrienne if you wish to be on Spring Tea Committee. • Please let me know if we have any classmates with daughters and sons attending BC? I happily accept donations of Newton yearbooks! Take care and send news.

## 73

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Hello everyone! Not much to report this time around. So sorry to see the football team lose their opening game to Ohio State. Let's hope the rest of the season is a good one. • Will all classmates living in California, Oregon and Washington please get in touch with me and let me know where you are living and what you are doing? I would like to feature different states in each column, and the West Coast seemed like a good place to start. Looking forward to hearing from you! Thanks. • Did you know: past issues of the yearbook are now available through the *Sub Turri* office at (617) 552-0898. Yearbooks falling between 1948 and 1993 are available. • Did you know: *The Heights*, the weekly, independent student newspaper is available to alumni through mail subscription. Interested alumni should either write to *The Heights* at Boston College, McElroy 113, Chestnut Hill, MA 02167, or call (617) 552-3548. Watch out when you call the phone number. You might get stuck in voice mail jail trying to get the right extension. Nasty! • Did you know: alumni caught between jobs or without insurance can obtain temporary major medical insurance at a reasonable price. This insurance is available to residents of almost every state. For more information call the insurance administration's office at (800) 637-7801. • *Eagle Action*, an independent magazine devoted exclusively to BC athletics, (featuring schedules, recruiting news, etc., as well as all 33 intercollegiate sports programs) is available by subscription by calling (800) 883-7024. • I caught a "Chicago" concert this summer. It was fantastic. They sang so many of their best songs. But I will admit that they were so loud that I stuffed kleenex in my ears! Getting "older" or what??? That is all.

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I am very pleased to report that the fundraiser for **Joyce Gaffey Ferris's** son Nicholas was a huge success. Joyce and her family are very grateful for all the support they have received and would like to ask for continued prayers for Nicholas and also for Joyce's mother, who recently underwent surgery. • Congratulations to **Mary Coveney** and her husband on the birth of their second son, Colin Coveney Walsh. Colin was born on April 26, weighing in at 9 lbs., 9 oz. Mary took the summer off to care for Colin and his older brother, Brandon, 5, and was going back to work at Channel 5 this fall.

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Your correspondent continues to milk the reunion news of 1994 some more . . . so please remember these notes are dated (hint, hint: send new news)! • **Lisa Parry Howard** lives in Wilmington, DE. Lisa and Neal J. Howard were married in Sept. '93. Both Neal and Lisa are attorneys. • **Jennella Jenny Porter** at reunion time was moving from Cambridge to E. Freetown. Jenny finished grad school but was just starting another program at Masokist, hoping to teach education at the college level. • **Susan Closter Godoy**, living in Middletown, RI, has two children: Elizabeth, 9 and John, 12. Susan has been director of public affairs at Planned Parenthood of RI for several years. Susan adds the family is a 'real soccer' family. • **Barbara Anne B.A. Cagney** is finishing her 14th year at Stuart Country Day School in Princeton, NJ, where Sr. Fran de la Chapelle is Headmistress. B.A. has spent the last seven years teaching kindergarten and coordinating a Saturday kitchen where about 500 are served. B.A.'s family is good, and her parents send their best to all. •

**Cathy Argue Fountain** is working at Talbot's Hingham office as manager of planning for the 26 Talbot's Kids stores. Cathy lives in Duxbury with husband Chuck, a professor at Northeastern Univ. School of Journalism, son Bobby, 12 and daughter Betsy, 7. • **Paula Love Dwyer** is an interior designer. Paula lives in New Canaan, CT with husband Stephen and four children: Lindsay, 17; Jeffrey, 13; Kevin, 10; and Catherine, 2. • Because of space restrictions, notes about **Elise Bradley** were cut off in the last issue—so to continue: Elise and husband Dan have been married for 20 years. The Bradleys have four children and are living in Wellesley. Son Dan was starting Villanova in fall '94, Jenny was in 7th grade and Michael in 1st grade. Elise teaches in Framingham. • **Maureen O'Halloran, RSCJ** moved to an apartment in Watertown and is assistant counsel at the Higher Education Coordinating Council where she represents four state colleges.

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Hello, everyone! Summer news was very light—a good indication most of you enjoyed your vacations. • I would like to thank **Maureen Daly Dolan** for providing newsnotes on her Ursuline/BC friends. Maureen, her husband Al and daughter Danielle, 8 live in Norwood; Maureen currently works in the Westwood school system. **Patricia Varieur**, Maureen would love to hear from you. Please get in touch. • **Liz DeMarino Timilty** is teaching English at the middle school level in Spring Hills, FL. She resides there with her three children: Samantha, Joy and Keith. • **Maggie Stewart** is very involved with quilting and craft making. She, husband Rick and daughters Chrissy, Erica and Laura live in Foxboro. • We are saddened to hear of the death of **Joseph P. Pino** of Milton. He was teaching at the Vermont Ave. Elementary School in Los Angeles, CA. Our condolences to his family. • It was great to see so many classmates at Alumni Stadium this fall. I look forward to hearing from you.

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## 76 REUNION

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We all mourn the passing of yet another classmate. **Suzanne M. Barrett** died Sun., May 7 in a freak accident on the Cayman Islands. One of her many friends, **Kevin Larkin**, is striving to establish a BC scholarship in Suzanne's memory. Those interested in contributing may contact this writer. *Requiescat in pace.* • The 20th Reunion Committee continues to meet regularly. Remember to reserve the weekend of May 17-20, 1996 for our great get-together. Events are planned throughout the coming months, including a BC b-ball contest in Jan., a Feb. wine tasting gala with silent auction, the annual Laetare Sunday communion breakfast on St. Patrick's Day, and a viewing of the drama club's production of "*Pirates of Penzance*" in April. Also, Class of '76 baseball caps (\$10), golf shirts (\$20) and sweat shirts (\$27) may be ordered from BC Class of '76, PO Box 542, Walpole, MA 02081. Shirts are L, XL and XXL. And, finally, please send your class dues of \$20 to the same address. Try to "getaway in May!" • **Beth Hurley Falzarano** and husband Larry welcomed Daniel William last June. Weighing in at 7 lbs., 3 ozs., Daniel joins older brother Michael in their Ashland manse. Congratulations, Beth and Larry! • A far-away classmate put pen to paper after almost 20 years. **Jayne Gibbons Layne** has lived in Honolulu, HI these last 15 years, and she relishes the tropical weather and casual lifestyle. Jayne runs her own business as a manufacturer's representative, most notably for Kahala Sportswear, the maker of fine aloha shirts, shorts, ties, etc. Her work takes her to neighboring Hawaiian islands, as well as Southeast Asia, primarily Singapore and Hong Kong. She hopes to attend the reunion from across the sea. • Another long-lost classmate responded to my urgent pleas for correspondence! **Karen J. O'Donnell** lives in West Palm Beach, FL, and after five years one presumes she sports a fine tan. Karen is the principal of the Lower School



in that fair city. She'd love to hear from other BC grads living in that area, and promises to attend our reunion. Way to go, Karen! • Well, that's it for now. Any ideas for the reunion? Keep them coming, for all are considered and debated by the committee. Until the next epistle, God bless!

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**Brian F. Wilkins** (SOM), died March 13 at the age of 41. We extend heartfelt sympathy to Brian's family. For anyone wishing to send cards or letters, the address is 23 Frothingham St., Milton, MA 02186. • Some job changes and promotions: news reaches us that Paul Revere Insurance Group elected **Richard J. Burness** to the positions of VP, assistant secretary and assistant treasurer effective May '95. Richard is a resident of S. Windsor, CT and also served as VP of finance and compliance at Aetna Life and Casualty. He is also senior VP of the Insurance Tax Conference. **Bruce A. Carbonari** was recently appointed CEO of Moen Inc. of N. Olmstead, OH. Moen is one of the world's largest producers of residential and commercial plumbing products. Prior to joining Moen, Bruce spent four years with Price Waterhouse, where he earned his CPA. He also holds a master's degree in management sciences from Hartford Graduate Center, an affiliate of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. Congratulations Bruce and Richard! • I hope you are all enjoying the fall weather and the '95 football season. Please send any news you may have—my column is looking a little lean these days. If you're too busy to write, you could always leave a message on my answering machine.

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I wonder if I would notice the passage of time quite so much, were it not for the kids. Our oldest, Caitlin, celebrated her sweet 16th b-day in

May, and you know what that means—yep, the dreaded driver's ed is just around the corner. I give you all fair warning, (just in case you should traverse the roads of Maryland) my baby is on the road, so drive safely and God help us all! • **Dennis J. Bannon** wrote to announce the opening of his law office at 105 Union Wharf, Boston, 02109. He will continue to concentrate his practice in the areas of civil and criminal litigation. Prior to opening his office, Dennis was associated with the Boston law firm of Burns & Levinson and was a member of its general trial dept. Dennis, who graduated in Jan. '78, is also a graduate of Suffolk Law School and served as a law clerk to the Hon. John J. McNaught of the U.S. District Court for Mass. • The Class offers its condolences to the family and friends of **Richard M.A. Beaudoin**, who died Jan. 6 at his home in Milwaukee. Formerly of N. Andover, he was a psychotherapist at Sinai Samaritan Medical Center in Milwaukee. • U.S. Secretary of State Warren Christopher announced the appointment of **R. Nicholas Burns** as department spokesman and principal deputy assistant secretary for public affairs. Prior to this appointment, Nick served as special assistant to the President, senior director at the National Security Council for Russia, Ukraine and Eurasia Affairs, and as director for Soviet and later Russian Affairs. He began his career in the Foreign Service in '83 as vice consul in Cairo, receiving the Superior Honor Award three times. He and his wife Elizabeth Baylies have three daughters. • **Eva M. Carey** wrote that she is a doctor practicing emergency medicine in Anchorage. She is married to Ron Dailey, a structural engineer, and they are the proud parents of the delightful Rebecca, 3. Eva says she still loves Alaska and spends much of her summer at their lakeside cabin and going ocean kayaking in Prince William Sound, which offers spectacular views of tidal glaciers. She extends a very generous offer for all to come and visit. • And now, the moment that we have been waiting for, the announcement of **Peter G. Crummey's** three daughters' names! (As you may remember, Peter never did tell us the girls' names when last he wrote.) The girls are Carol, Constance and Cathryn. (Hi ladies!) Carol, age 8, a woman wise beyond her years, has informed her father that she intends to attend BC! Alright! (Work on those other two, Peter!) • I received a lovely letter from Helen Wilson Donegan, the mother of the late

**Richard Joseph Donegan**. Richard, who had earned his CPA and was employed at Chevron International Oil Co. in San Francisco since '84, died March 31. A Mass of the Resurrection was held at Calvary Chapel on April 6. Condolences may be sent to his mother: Helen Wilson Donegan, 2451 Sacramento St. # 1104, San Francisco, CA 94115; or to his brother, Edward G. Donegan, 69 Hawthorne St., Lynnbrook, NY 11563. He also leaves two nieces: Lauren Mary and Tara Louise; and a nephew, Thomas David Donegan. • I would also like to express my sorrow at the passing of **David M. Guigli**, which was noted in the back of a recent BCM. David was a lovely, talented man and a good buddy of mine at the Mods. I am sure you will join me in expressing sincere and deepest sympathy to his family and friends. • Navy Cmdr. **Richard H. Koehler**, who joined the Navy in Aug. '89, received the Navy Commendation Medal and was cited for meritorious service while serving as a general surgeon at Naval Hospital, Oakland CA, his current assignment. • **James F. Nicoletti** has been elected senior VP with the Boston firm of Lynch Murphy Walsh & Partners, one of New England's largest commercial real estate firms, and was also named the company's broker of the year for '94. • This has been a sad column to write. I hope that you will take the time to send me some happy news.

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Hi! As I sit here writing this column at summer's end, the days are getting shorter and shorter . . . • Dr. **Betsy Cohn** recently completed her PhD in International Relations at the American Univ. and will be teaching at Goucher College this year. She will continue to live in Takoma Park, MD with her partner Judy and their black lab mutt, Rosie. She'd love to hear from anyone teaching international relations or political science—I can put you in contact with her. • I went to St. Martin last August and had a great time—I guess I like the Caribbean when it's slow season! • Again I missed **Danny Mahoney's** annual pool party! **Mike Grieco** was there, as well as **Mike and Christine Spinelli Liberti** and their two sons. Mike is sporting a new Harley and they've added a dog to the family. • What's new?

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Congratulations to **Mary Donohue Wood** and her husband Randy on the birth of their second child on March 24. Brendan James joined his big sister Megan, 3 at their home in Marlborough. Mary returned to her part-time position at BU Medical Center in the cardiac care unit. • **John F. Harkins, Jr.** and his wife of five years, Joanne, are excited about the birth of their daughter Candice Rose on Feb. 7. The Harkins reside in Newton Square, PA where John and his sister Patricia manage and are co-owners of their family business, Harkins & Harkins Mechanical Services. • **Kathleen Harrison Webb** reports that she and Scott moved to Virginia this summer with their children: Zack, 11; Becca, 8; and Nicole, 4. They are delighted to be closer to work. Their move from Maryland reduced their combined commuting time by 27 hours a week! Kathleen's Nanitax (the "Nanny Tax" experts) business is thriving. • Hats off to **Ouida Garvin**, who graduated this past May from UVA with her master's in education—while working full-time as a third-



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grade teacher for Fairfax County, VA public schools. Ouida is still living the single life and sends a big hello to fellow classmates. • Long time, no hear from **Timothy E. Barker** and wife Anita Hagner Barker '82! Tim and Anita were married 11 years ago and moved from Kansas to St. Louis after Tim completed his degree in architecture. Anita has worked as a consultant, part-time teacher, and most recently as manager of curriculum development at The International Institute of St. Louis (an agency that helps refugees make the transition to life in the States). In '93 Tim established Paradigm Architects with his partner, Lou Girdler. Tim and Anita have four children: Laura, Paul, Christopher and Stephanie. • Lots of news from **Jim and Cindy Morris Thorsen**, who have been living in Cumberland, RI since Jim's appointment as Deputy State Treasurer. They have two daughters: Elizabeth, 5, and Margaret, 2. Their third child was due in Sept. Cindy intends to return to neonatal intensive care nursing by next year. They enjoyed their fourth annual Nantucket vacation in July with the Lanneys and MacLellans. Remember Thorsen, Lanney and MacLellan were "the" high-jumping trio at BC! **Rob and Ann Beegan Lanney** have three children: Jessica, Joshua and Jillian. They live in Concord, NH where Rob is a partner with Sulloway, Hollis & Soden. Ann spent many years after graduation in neonatal intensive care nursing but currently is homemaker and mom to her three beautiful children. **Ignatius MacLellan** and his wife Eleanor have just begun construction on their new home in

Bow, NH and have three children also: Jenny, Patrick and Hilary. Igs is an administrative judge for the Property Tax Court of Appeals in New Hampshire and Eleanor is a partner at Sulloway, Hollis & Soden. **Nancy Roth Thorsen** is married to Jim's brother John. They celebrated 11 years of marriage this summer and live in Bedford with their two sons: David, 6 and Michael, 3. Nancy is a part-time registered nurse at Children's Hospital in Boston. • Lt. Cmdr. **Joseph O'Brien, Jr.**, USN, was a helicopter pilot and Air Boss on the USS Trenton and served in the Gulf. He now lives in Norfolk, VA with his wife Jennie and two daughters, Meaghen and Mollie, and is stationed at Norfolk NAS. Joe entered medical school in Aug. • Watch for news of our reunion!

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I hope that everyone survived the hot, hazy days of summer! • **Vince Baglivo** was promoted to director of public relations at McQueeney Davis Kohm & Partners, Inc. in Morristown, NJ. Vince lives with his family in Sparta, NJ. • **Julie Barron** was named VP of corporate lending at Citizens' Bank of Massachusetts. Julie lives in Charlestown. • **Paul Duffy** wrote that he is a CPA working for Hewlett Packard in California. Paul and his wife Angela announced the birth of their first child, a son, Brendan Matthew. • **Elizabeth Carey Colston** and husband Dan had a second child, David, last April. He joins brother Danny in the Chicago area. • **James Herschlein** became a partner in the law firm of Kaye, Scholer, Fierman, Hays & Handler in NYC. James lives in Manhasset, NY with his wife Marilyn and their children, Matthew and Megan. • **Sharon Meagher**, PhD has been promoted to associate professor of philosophy at the Univ. of Scranton in Pennsylvania. SUNY Press is publishing her first book, and Sharon will be working on her second while on sabbatical at the Univ. of California at Santa Cruz next year. Sharon serves as founding president of Mulberry Central Neighborhood Development Corp. • **Maureen Jeffers Raub** and husband recently moved to Saddle River, NJ with their baby daughter, Rebecca Anne. Maureen is director of beauty and cosmetics advertising

for Vanity Fair. • **Dan Carew** and his wife Dana announced the birth of their daughter Julia last summer. She joins her sister Katey. • This column keeps getting smaller and smaller. I need you to help update information. Please write!

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**Radu Florescu** is managing director of Saatchi & Saatchi Advertising in Bucharest, Romania. Being of Romanian origin, Radu could not resist returning to his ancestral grounds and has been living in Bucharest with his wife and two children. Radu writes that the work is hectic, to say the least, but the business environment is very challenging. The office was started four years ago and is now the leading agency in the country, employing 40 people. Anyone wishing to get in touch with Radu can do so through his father, Radu Florescu, who still teaches at BC in the history dept., (617) 552-3805. • The eagle has landed! Amy '88 and **Peter Rockett** proudly announce the birth of Morgan Francis who entered the atmosphere on May 25. Morgan Francis touched down safely at Brigham & Women's Hospital with a payload of ten lbs., five oz. • **Diana Kringdon-Cotumaccio** and husband Walter of Manhasset, NY, are the proud parents of triplets. Diana says "hello" to all her old BC friends, especially the "sisters of 809." • **Lilian Fombrun Gademer**, husband Pascal, and their son and daughter now live in Miami where Lilian teaches English and studies voice-over acting. • **Julie Petrini** was promoted to trademark counsel at Polaroid Corp. Julie lives in Framingham with her husband, son and daughter. • **Laura Lifvendahl Wood** of Dedham was promoted to VP, management supervisor, on the Marshall's business at Hill, Holliday Advertising in Boston. Her daughter, Chandler, recently turned ten months. • **Ann Pellagrini** has been working at Lotus Development for one year with their new product, Lotus Notes. In July, Ann spent nine days rafting 280 miles down the Colorado River through 160 rapids and hiking through the Grand Canyon. She touched two-billion-year-old Vishnu Shist rock; saw innumerable waterfalls, wall paintings and graffiti from the ancient

peoples; went fossil hunting in the dry river beds; and had beach front property for her campsites. Ann writes that her trip was one of the most incredible experiences of her life thus far. The focus of the trip, run by a geologist from Wooster College in Ohio, is the geology and ecology of the canyon. Ann is very willing to share more info. about this adventure of a lifetime. She can be reached at 508-693-5941.

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**Brian A. Joyce** and Mary K. Behan Joyce '83 welcomed James Brian on Aug. 28. The Joyces have three other children: Jake, 6; Mikey, 5; and Maggie, 3. Brian was recently promoted to assistant general counsel and assistant secretary of Boston Mutual Life Insurance Co. and is chair of the Democratic Town Committee and the Board of Park Commissioners in his hometown of Milton. • **Kurt Neidhardt** was recently promoted to partner of Ernst & Young in NYC. Kurt has two sons, Michael and Mark, and currently lives in Mahopac, NY. • **Jacqueline Murphy** was appointed to VP and general manager of events at Computerworld in Framingham. She is responsible for the management of its Executive Technology Summit, Windows World Open, Apple Enterprise Awards and Object Application Awards . . . • **Jim DeMarco** recently accepted a corporate controller position with Mydata Automation, Inc. in Danvers. Prior to joining Mydata, he worked as director of finance at Polymedico Industries, Inc. in Woburn. Jim and wife Nancy '85 live in Saugus with son James, Jr., 4 and daughter Paige, 1. • **Clark Devereaux** spent last Memorial Day weekend rafting with **Tom Engel** in Maine. Tom is engaged to Annie Vargas and will be married in 1996. Clarke has opened a general law practice in River Forest, IL after some years as a prosecutor in Chicago. • Last Dec. 30, **Gregory Mancini** wed Suzanne Silva. After a honeymoon in Cancun they settled in Cranston, RI. • **Joan Cummings** married Paul Nunes on May 28 in Westwood. **Jane Cummings** and Julie Cummings Mullen '89 were in the wedding party. BC guests included **Liz Davis Holler**, **Lou Iadarola Paquette**,



**Lisa LaChance Lopes** and **Giselle Perez Holloway**. Joan and Paul reside in Evanston, IL where Joan is a manager at CODA, Inc. Jane lives in Chicago and is a strategic initiative manager at Household, International. • Twenty-nine BC grads were in attendance when Eileen Marie Satch of Oak Brook, IL married **Christopher Mark Fanning** on Aug. 20, 1994! Eagles included in the wedding party were the groom's father, Henry J. Fanning '55; groomsmen **Stephen Beaupre**, **Steven Beaudette**, **Christopher Gardner** and **Andrew Hone**; and reader **Daniel Hermes**. Other BC grads attending the wedding were Robin Sardagnola Beaudette, Jack Bernhard, Tim Coyne, Clarke Devereaux, Michael Egan, Eileen McCarthy Gardner '85, Michael Garry, John Gill, Marjorie Liese Hermes, Allison Lynch Home '85, Doug and Tricia Kennedy Killip, Henry King, George Lyman, Leslie Moeller LAW '91, Nina Abramson Ostrum '76, Edward Rabasco, Michael Rolphes, Barry and Donna Querques Thomas, and Jimmy and Carol Barron West. The newlyweds reside in Chicago, where Eileen is an acquisition and divestment coordinator for Amoco and Christopher is a manager with The Boston Consulting Group. • On April 22, William Quinn married **Maureen Packer** in St. Davids, PA. BC alumni included Larry and **Jeanne Connelly Nardolillo**; Paul and **Rosemary Slein D'Aloia**; Greg and **Maura Shields Borsecnik**; Terry and **Monica Welch Hanlon**; Tom and **Michelle Doiron Hanlon**; Jean O'Connor; Susan Nikel; and **Cathy Popp** and her fiancé, Dennis Moran. Cathy and Dennis are to be married in September in Rye, NH. Also in attendance were Joanne Quinn GA&S '84 and **Vincent Galucci**. **Peggy Corey Buchwald** and husband Jim were unable to make the trip from Ft. Hood, TX where they are presently stationed. Maureen and William honeymooned in Maui and have made Conway, NH their home. Maureen is employed by First New Hampshire Bank. • Doug and **Rita Coyne Federman** welcomed the birth of their second child, Isabelle Marie, on June 11. Their first child, Brendan Edward, was born Oct. 24, 1994. They live in San Luis Obispo on the central coast of California. Rita is a staff attorney with the federal court in Los Angeles. • **Julie McCarthy Regan** is a mother of two: Billy, 4 and Jennifer, 2. They reside in Amesbury after building a home in Orchard Heights. • **Barbara Ann Vallo-Gould** and her

husband welcomed baby Darby on Oct. 22, 1994. They reside in a newly-built house in Bolton. Barbara is working part-time at Harvard Elementary School as a special education coordinator. • Please write!

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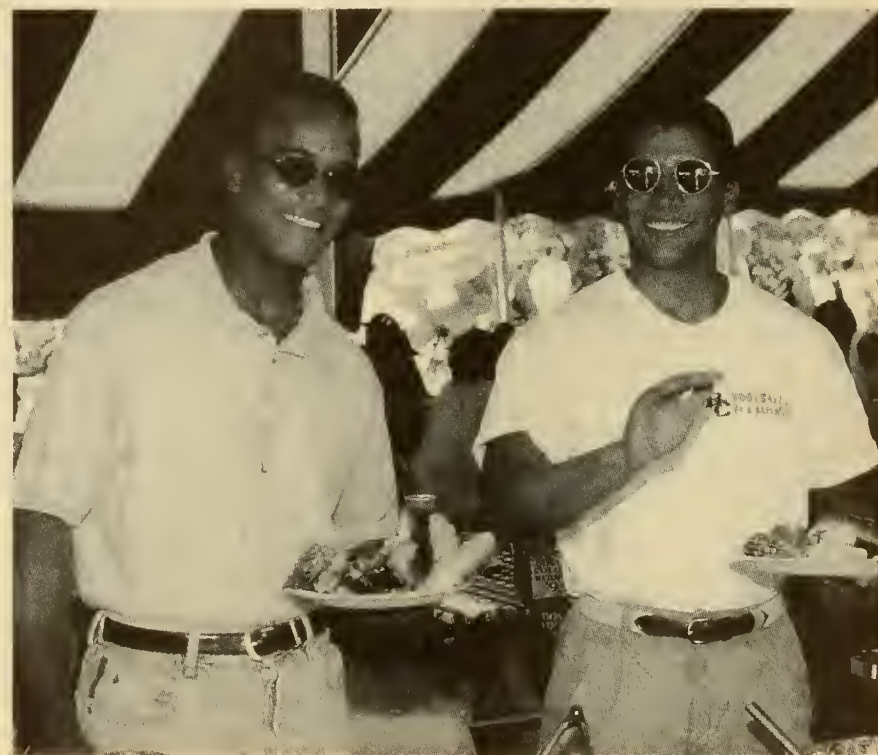
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Hello again to the Class of 1985! Thanks to those who sent me information. • **Rick Fitzpatrick** is working at the US Agency for International Development as a technical writer in the Mozambique office. • **Elaine Wood Griffith** and husband David missed our reunion because their third child was due that weekend. Christina Nicole arrived on May 30 and joined Alyssa Rae, 7, and David Joseph 5. • On July 23 **Paul Terrile** and Laura Macher were married in Hudson, NY. Celebrating the event were **Pete Bachiochi**, Mr. and Mrs. **Rich Callahan**, **Steve and Crissy Varvaro Doucette**, Mr. and Mrs. **Brian Farley**, **Brian Gilligan**, **Jim and Terri Cline Kelly**, **Paul and Kelley Beaudry MacDonald**, **Lew Madley**, **Mike Rozman** '95 and **John Sadowey**. • **Theo Spilka** was recently promoted to Firmenich's director of marketing and development, Fine Fragrance-Europe. Theo moved from Geneva to Paris on Sept. 1. Theo did participate in 10th reunion activities along with his friend **Michael F. Kennedy**. Mike, an attorney in New York, should be credited with *not* crashing a seniors' mods party during the early part of reunion weekend. • Congrats to Mary and **Jim Moore** on the arrival of their first child, Brendan David, on July 9. As an assistant US attorney in Maine, Jim prosecutes federal drug cases and defends the US in tort litigation. • **Kathy Macrina** married Bruce Pilavis in Sept. '93 at St. Ignatius Church. Kathy is a doctor of optometry in private practice and lives in Bridgewater. • Dave and **Sandy Eveleth Dalesio** had a baby girl, Samantha Jean, on July 15 and live in Florida. • **Tricia Curtin Ward** had her first child, Matthew Dwyer, on May 23. She and husband Mark live in Weston. Tricia is a nurse practitioner at Beth Israel Hospital in Boston. • Greg and **Patti Hoey MacDonald** had their first child, Erin Elizabeth, on July 18, 1994 and

their "Irish twin," Andrew Gregory, on May 27. Patti is enjoying her full-time mother status and lives in Marlborough. • **Rob and Margie Neeser Hillman** had their second child, Robert Joseph, on April 4. He joins sister Katie, 3. **Arthur Harvey** and **Richard Hoponick** are Robbie's godfathers. • **Christopher O'Hara** married Dr. Nancy Jofreuter in Sept. '94 in Westport, CT. Christopher is VP at CB Commercial Real Estate. • **Carol Vassallo** married Peyton Snead in April '94 in Rixeyville, VI. • Mary and **Robert Looney** had a son, Robert William, in March '94. Robert is an attorney with Geogan and Geogan in Rockland. • **Christine D'Entremont** married Bill Mosher in May '92; they have two children: Michelle, 2 and Michael, 1. • **Denise Pampena** married Dr. John Nairn in Oct. '92. Their son Matthew is 1. • **Antonio Arias** is a partner in the litigation department of McConnell Valdes, a law firm in his native San Juan. Antonio is married to Maria Beale and sends a hello to **Bill Hansen**, **Rafi Barreto**, **Jim Cushing** and **Ro Mascolo**. • **Carol Moore Penfield** received a master's in nursing in June '94. • **Karin Connelly** completed a PhD in clinical school psychology from Derner Institute of Advanced Psychological Studies at Adelphi Univ. in Sept. '94. • **Michele Sherban-Kline** was married in Nov. '94 to Hugh Kline, Jr. and is a science teacher at Wilbur Cross High School in New Haven, CT. • Greg and Kristen Warpula

**Bingham** live in Lunenburg with children Kimberly, 1 and twins Kelly and Lindsay, 4. Both Greg and Kristen work for DYNOW New England. • **Marie Oates** was appointed president of the New England Chapter of the American Medical Writers' Association for the year '94-'95. • **June Stakun** received an MS in nursing and an MA in applied psychology. • **Marcela Laubli-Valdes** is living in Zurich, Switzerland and is busy raising her two boys, Christoph, 6 and George, 4. • **Douglas Stevenson** married Mary Beth Barlow in Oct. '94 in Liverpool, NY. The couple lives in Carlisle. • **Steve Lipin** is a writer for *The Wall Street Journal*. Lately Steve has been kept busy with the many bank mergers going on nationwide. • If **Kathleen Kohler-Balko** wasn't on hand for her reunion, you can thank baby Michael, born to Jim and Kathleen in the spring. Kathleen sends greetings from Fairbanks, AK where she works at Immaculate Conception Church as director of religious education. She is proud to announce that Michael already has his first BC sweatshirt. • **John Sadowey** from Elkhart, IN was really looking forward to BC-ND. He is a teacher in Elkhart. • Please keep your notes coming my way. I rely on them to help make the column fun to read.

**Alumni of all ages enjoyed food, camaraderie and occasional escape from the heat at the Chestnut Hill Grill on May 20. This annual barbeque is held during Reunion Weekend on the Campus Green.**





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Happy holidays to one and all! We hope you have a wonderful holiday season! The e-mail was a big hit and we had lots of correspondence from classmates; thanks to all who used this handy method of communicating with me. The mail, however, was a bit slow and I hope that it will pick up; maybe you could put us on your Christmas Card list! Here's all the news that's fit to print: **Jackie Haxton Dedrick** and husband Jay are the proud new parents of daughter Marilyn, born in the summer. Jackie and family are now living in Armenia, NY. Congrats, Jackie! • **Bill and Suzanne O'Leary Mills** also have a new baby, William, born July 4. • **Maureen MacFarlane** has moved her law practice to Lucash, Gesmer and Updegrave in Boston. Maureen represents high-tech and start-up firms in litigation matters concerning intellectual property, employment and general business. • **Jim and Carole Crotty Fallon** are living outside Portland, ME with their new baby, Connor James. Thanks for the note, Carole, and congrats on the birth of your son! • **Maryke Vandeven Manhold** is living in Germany. She has two sons, ages 3 and 5. She would love to hear from **Allison Dougherty**. You can reach Maryke at: Ulmenstrate 70, D-65527 Niederhausen. • **Lee Morrissey** recently completed his PhD in English at Columbia Univ.; he and wife Suzanna have moved to S. Carolina where Lee is an assistant professor in the English department at Clemson Univ. Good luck in your new venture, Lee, and thanks for writing. • **Mary Bralla Kenny** is living in Natick with her family, which includes two daughters, 5 and 2. She tells me that **Ray and Karen O'Keefe Johnson** have a new baby girl and are living in Atlanta, GA. Hi, Johnsons! She also let us know that **Janeen Dunseith Zimmerman** is living in the DC area with husband Jim and baby Nicole. It was great to hear from you, Mary! • **Mod 12B** roommates wrote in with some news. **Rob and Kathy Igoe Crowley** had a son, Brendan Patrick, in Dec. '94. They live in Marshfield. Rob is at EMC and Kathy is a nurse at Mass. General Hospital. **Mary Wallace Krumseik** and husband Jim (Holy Cross) live in Sudbury and have a one-year-old son, Timothy James. Mary is an attorney with

Vallace Associates in Wellesley. **Mary TK Mayville Mooney** lives with her husband Dave in Columbus, OH. They have three children: Sheila, David and Kathleen. **Jack and Lisa Palmieri Walsh** live in Kingston with their four children: Jackie, Katie, Daniel and Maggie. Jack is with waste management. **Rich Joy** is recently engaged to be married in St. Ignatius Church in Aug. '96. **Jamie Gallagher and Paul Tierney** are both working in Boston and living on Beacon Hill. • As you all know, it has been 10 years since that hot day in May '86 when we sang with Lionel Richie in Alumni Stadium!!! So pack your bags soon and plan to attend some or all of the festivities for Reunion Weekend. It's scheduled for May 17-20, 1996. Dorm accommodations will be available; however, if you want to stay in a hotel, it's recommended that you reserve now. If you don't receive info. about the reunion, call the Alumni Office at 1-800-669-8430. Write soon or e-mail at boyarsky@aol.com.

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Seasons Greetings! I hope that '95 is ending on a good note and that you're looking forward to a great '96. We have lots of news to wrap up the year. • In the "movers and shakers" file, congratulations to **Michael Pfau**, who was named associate at Gordon, Thomas, Honeywell in Tacoma, WA. He received his law degree from Univ. of Michigan, and will focus on trial law. • **Julie Thompson** was named media director of Chicago '96, the bi-partisan host committee for the '96 Democratic National Convention. • **Robert Labenski** was named assurance manager to the Jacksonville office of KPMG Peat Marwick LLP, and will be working in their financial services practice. • **Dana Pantos Harris** was named agency VP of the public relations firm Schwartz Communications in Wellesley. • **Michael Quentin Williams** is now an assistant US trial attorney for the US Attorney's office in New Haven, CT. • Congratulations to the class newlyweds: **Betty DeConto** married Chris Waaler, and is living in Hampton, VA while pursuing her public policy master's at William and Mary. Dr. **Steve Melson** married Amy Cloutier. Steve's a

gastroendochronologist at Winthrop Hospital in New York. **Nicholas Carpinelli** married Lenore Boytim in Valhalla, NY. He's an account administrator with Bank America National Trust Co. **Anne Weinstein** and Robert Coffman were married recently. Anne received her law degree from Suffolk, and is in private practice as a civil rights attorney in San Francisco. **Lawrence Tambascio** married Laura Ware and is living in Ashland. He is a systems engineer in the personal communications division of General Motors Electronic Data Systems. • Congrats to **Maura Roach O'Connor** who wrote with news of her daughter Molly's birth in Feb. '94! (See, even if it's old news I'll put it in!) She and husband Brian live in Fairfield, CT. • **Caryn Cronin Nall** also wrote about her two children: Tate, 3 and Dylan, 1. Caryn and husband Scott just moved to Hillsboro, OR where she's a stay-at-home mom. She'd love to hear from any alumni in the Portland area. • **Sarah Kochne Lambrecht** and her husband Mark are living in Milwaukee, WI with their two boys, Andrew, 3 and Matthew, 1. • I got a great letter from **Karen Maskara Granatino**, who's living in Scituate with her husband Jeff. She's deputy director of compliance for the Mass. Turnpike Authority. She had some updates to share: **Kathleen McCall Ortega** and husband Chris are living in Nashua, NH with their daughters, Caitlin and Meghan. Kathleen received her MED from Harvard and taught at an elementary school in Newton, and Chris is a computer programmer for Oxford Health Plan. **Tricia Lamb** received her master's of public health from BU. She's living in Jamaica Plain and is working as a mental health nurse in Boston. **Doug and Anne Martinelli Dillon** are living in Bel Air, MD with their two sons, Michael and John. Doug received his MBA at Loyola Univ. and is working for Bank of Maryland, and Anne is working for an insurance company. **Monika Lange Gannon** and husband Thomas are living in Peabody with their daughters Courtney and Ashley. Monika is a pediatric nurse. • **Stephanie Raudonis Blicher** and husband Al live in Derry, NH with their children Cameron and Alexandra. Stephanie teaches English at Pinkerton Academy. • **Kathy Ryan Ayoub** and husband Richard have son Richard and daughter Margaret keeping them busy; Kathy is working for MIT. • **Kerry Langdon Harrison** is assistant superintendent of toll collection for the Mass. Turn-

pike Authority. She and husband Jim welcomed son James last March and are living in Quincy. • **Roberto Caldera** is living in Boston and is a computer programmer at Children's Hospital. • **Paul Mort Quinn** married wife Lauren in July '94. He's pursuing an MBA at Seton Hall while working at Great Western Bank in New Jersey. • **Paul Janesewski** is living in Greenwich Village and pursuing a master's of public administration at NYU. • **Don Creston** graduated from Univ. of Pittsburgh Law School and is an attorney in Washington, DC. • **John and Sheila Holliday Serenna** are living in Norwalk, CT. John received his MBA from Univ. of North Carolina and is working for IBM. Sheila is working for Morgan Stanley. • **Kristi Haubenreich** married Eric Sadler last fall. They are living on Long Island, and Kristi is an accountant for a hospital in NYC. • **Kevin Alexander** married wife Ann two years ago and is working as dean of students at a private high school in Seattle. • **John Billera** is living in Melrose and working at Warren Gorham and Lamont. He began an MBA program at Babson this fall. • **Brian Ahern** and his wife Cathy recently relocated to Portland (call Caryn!), where Brian is working in banking. • That's it for now. Thanks to all of those who wrote, and for those of you who haven't, make it one of your resolutions to drop us an update of what you're doing this year. My best wishes for a happy and healthy holiday season to you and your families. See you in '96!

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Hi folks! Hope everyone is enjoying the fall. • **Jeff and Brenda Foster Mott** have been very busy. In April, Jeff graduated from Univ. of Michigan's business school. Afterwards, Jeff and Brenda moved to Overland Park, KS, where they had a baby girl, Carly Catherine, who was born July 10, weighing in at 8 lbs. Jeff is working for Sprint in their long distance division, while Brenda is teaching fourth grade. • Brenda also mentioned that **Sonia Fernandez** was married in June, and **Maureen Shannon** was married July 1. • **Jennifer Weekes Koprowski** wrote in to let us know that she and husband Dan welcomed their first



child, David Benjamin, on May 28 in Vilseck, Germany. The family is living in Germany where Dan is stationed with the Army. • **Kimberly Canavan Moore** and husband John have not one, but two children: Colin, 4 and Brendan, 1. Kimberly works part-time as a speech and language tutor for the Naugatuck public schools. She, her husband and children are living quite happily in Trumbull, CT. • Introducing their first child are **Joe and Kim Fontaine Gindhart**. Joseph Edward was born in Aug. '95, weighing in at 8 lbs. 8 oz. The proud parents and little Jed are living in Havertown, PA. • Since we're still on the subject of babies, we've heard that Mark Tarallo is a proud papa. Mark's wife Kristy gave birth to a beautiful baby girl on June 23. Amelia Elizabeth was 20" when born and weighed in at 8 lbs. • Okay, moving away from the subject of kids and back to marriages, we've learned that **Carolyn Lynch** tied the knot on June 24 in Moretown, VT. She married John Frederick Eagan, originally from Milton. Carolyn and John live in Moretown, and Carolyn is a nurse at UVM Medical Center in Burlington. • **John Marenco** wrote in to let his BC buddies know that he is back in Boston, working as a physician at New England Medical Center. After graduating from Georgetown Medical School with fellow BCers Phil Finochiarro '87 and Rich MacDonell '90, John is now living in Back Bay. • We heard from **Kathy Brustman Rasor**, who was married in Aug. '94 to Rich Rasor in Larchmont, NY. **Moirra Clancy** was a bridesmaid; other '88ers attending the wedding were **Katie Gleason, Emily Humphrey, Cathy McCarron, Bert Entwistle, Eve Rutyna, Ann Kulevich, Lisa Noonan, Gigi Galang** and **Kristin Humber**. Kathy received her master's of professional studies in May from Manhattanville College. She's teaching first grade in Purchase, NY. • **Debbie Goldman** (from Hawaii) recently announced her engagement to Rod Gallagher. Deb and Rod will be married in Hawaii, but that's all we've heard thus far on the plans. Deb has also recently changed jobs and moved out of the Brighton area, but we don't know much more than that so we'll have to fill you in on the details when we can track her down! • **Amy Mahoney Rockett** is currently living in the Boston area, working as a cardiac nurse for Liberty Mutual Medical Center. Amy and husband Peter '83 announced the birth of their first child, Morgan Francis, on

May 25. • An alumnus from the class of '39 was kind enough to send us an article about one of our classmates who has obviously done very well for herself since graduation. After two years of training, 2nd Lt. **Heidi Kunichika**, the Hawaii Air National Guard's first female pilot, undertook her first deployment as a member of the 203rd Air Refueling Squadron in May. I don't know about anyone else, but I'm impressed! • In May, **Matt Britton** graduated with honors from Washington Univ. in St. Louis with a JD. Matt received the Judge Samuel M. Breckenridge Practice Court Prize as well as the Milton F. Napier Trial Award. • **David Hicks** was married earlier this year to Amy Manley of Fairhaven. David is currently studying computer engineering at Northeastern Univ. and is employed as a systems technician at Plymouth Rock Assurance Co. in Boston. They live in Roslindale. • Also married recently was **Dennis Heavey**, who exchanged vows with Andrea Lynn Murray in Newburyport. Dennis is a corporate account representative for Dataware Products, Inc. in Westwood. They live in Winchester. • **Maureen Spendley Kanuka** is living in Wilson, NC with her husband and two daughters: Emily, 3 and Andrea, 18 mos. They bought a home in Wilson where her husband is pursuing an EdD at Wilson State University. • **Paige Blowen Stevens** and husband John recently returned "home" to Texas after a three-year stint in Maryland. Paige and John were married in March '92; Paige is a training specialist for Pier One Imports in Fort Worth, TX; they recently built a home in Flower Mound, TX. • **Dina Guadagno** is now in her third year at Life College in Marietta, GA, studying to be a chiropractor. • **Sue Roche** married Scott Hargis in '92; they bought a home in Atlanta, where Sue is social worker. • **Michelle Rawles Languadoc** married husband Ken in '90. They bought a home outside Atlanta, where they live with daughter Emily, 2. Michelle is an assistant buyer for an area department store. • The class extends sincere condolences to **Danny Bolton**, who lost his father in May. • **Norm Beauchemin** married Sue Walsh (Simmons '86) on Oct. 1 at Saint Ignatius. Norm, after receiving his master's of public policy from Harvard's Kennedy School, works for the Rhode Island Secretary of State's office. Norm and Sue live in Providence, RI. • Well, that's all the news we have for now. Please continue to send letters so that we can

keep track of everyone and what's going on with the class of '88!

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Hello to all. I would like to thank those who sent in letters. There's a lot of news, so here goes. • **John and Katie Zahn O'Neill** have a new baby girl, Mary Kate, born June 28. Congrats! • **Karen Theall** married Brad Elders on Sept. 9 in CT. Bridesmaids included **Kathleen Frost Hogan, Janet Poillon, Lorna Sellge, Linda Plate** and **Kelly Furlong Stenberg**. • **Liz Reilly** is engaged to **Kevin Duffy**. A May wedding is planned in Philly, where Kevin has been working since his return from Aspen. Liz is a six-year veteran of a NYC advertising firm. • **Terese Russell Flaherty**, husband Bill and new dog Murphy have relocated to the Cleveland, OH area, where Bill works for GE and Terese is teaching. • **Kim Caruso** recently married **Bill Newbauer** in Stamford, CT. They are living in Trumbull and are working in the area. • **Amy Thraikill Deveney** and husband Joe are celebrating the birth of their son, Matthew Joseph. They are living in Larchmont, NY. • **Laurette Casamassima Klier** and husband Michael are living in Essex, CT. • **Gina Ritcey** is still living in San Francisco after completing a JVC year after graduation. She is enjoying the Bay Area and has no plans to return to the East anytime soon. • **Patti Reynolds** married Christopher DePhillips Aug. 19 in Ridgewood, NJ. Bridesmaids included **Kathleen Concannon, Noreen English, Sheila O'Connor** and **Kristen VanCott**. • **Mickey Richard** was married Nov. 4 to **Michael Lally** at St. Ignatius. Mickey graduated from medical school at UVA in '93 and is now doing her residency in internal medicine at Deaconess Hospital in Boston. Michael works in a health care consulting company outside of Boston. • **Michele Troy** and **Mike Robinson** were married on the Cape last August. • **Kelly Flynn** is working as an OB/GYN in CT. Kelly and Henry Roove were married in Sept. on Long Island. • **Lisa Videtto** married John Cullivan in July '93. Lisa is working as a senior financial analyst at a high-tech networking company in Westboro and is getting

her MBA part-time at BC. Lisa and John are living in Mansfield where they recently bought a home. • **Tess Gaynor** married Michael Iula in Sept. '94 in Holbrook. Tess is working for Clean Harbors Environmental Services. They live in Weymouth. • **Kathleen Yustak** married William Winters in July '94. They live in E. Brunswick, NJ. Kathleen is a CPA with Price Waterhouse in NYC. • **Karen Sullivan** married Joey Garry in Sept. '92 after she graduated from Fordham Law and passed the NY & MA bars. Karen and Joey had a baby girl in Nov. '93, Katie Erin Garry, 7 lbs., 3 oz. • Have a great holiday season. Peace!

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**Troy Clarkson** is in his third year of his first term as a Falmouth Selectman. He is a project scientist with Operational Technologies Corp., an environmental services and information systems company. Among the projects Troy is working on out of the regional office in Pocasset is designing a containment system to address groundwater plumes from the Mass. Military Reservation. Troy and his wife Barbara welcomed their second daughter, Jenna, in Oct. She joins Sydney, 4. • **Scott Ashline** and **Noemi Acarón** were married in Sept. '94 in San Juan (Father Joseph Nolan traveled from the Heights to perform the ceremony). Best man was **Brandt Chvinko**, who is cur-

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rently getting his master's in Florida. Other classmates in attendance were Peter Forand, Greg Montana, Greg Redmond, Doug Mack and Tina Gill (from New York); Janine Marrero and Diane Mello-Goldner (from Boston); Paul Whiting (from Chicago); Maria Gonzalez (from Washington, DC); Beth-Ann Corr (from Philadelphia); Tedd Taskey and Liam Joyce '88 from L.A.; Collin Hite (from Miami) and José Joaquim Ledesma and Rocio Rodriguez (both San Juan natives). Noemi graduated from law school and was an attorney for the Puerto Rican Supreme Court. She and Scott now live in La Jolla, CA; Scott works for Northwestern Mutual in San Diego and Noemi took the Calif. bar in July. • **Diane Mello** and **Michael Goldner** were married July 2 at St. Ignatius. Diane graduated from Lehigh in May with a PhD in psychology; Michael is currently pursuing his MBA part-time at BC while working for a Boston-area computer consulting firm. They live in Chestnut Hill. • **Susan English** and **Peter Mazzetti** were married in Sept. '94 in Bethel, CT. Members of the wedding party included **Grace McKinnon Andringa**, **Elizabeth Miller Conway**, **Chris Sovah** and **Jim Magidson**. After a honeymoon in Nevis, West Indies, Sue and Pete now live in Scarsdale, NY. Sue recently earned an MBA in finance from Columbia; she is a manager at Ernst & Young. Pete is an attorney with Mendes & Mount in Manhattan. • **Steve and Anne-Marie Gold Hultin** have been married for two years and have a one-year old boy, Stephen Herbert (BC Class of 2014). They have been temporarily living in Maine, but will be returning to

the Boston area soon. • **Laura DesRoche** earned her master's in special education from BC in '93 and is currently teaching in the Quincy public schools. She also tutors and teaches dance at Pegge Parker's in Dorchester. Laura married Adam Anderson in Aug. • **Matt Honohan** has moved to Athens, OH where he is working on a PhD in history (specializing in US foreign relations) at the Contemporary History Institute of Ohio Univ. • **Martha Garcia Quam** and **Darrin Quam** were married in Aug. '93. Darrin graduated from Georgetown Univ. Law Center in May '93 and is now clerking for a US District Court Judge in Trenton, NJ. Martha is a social worker for Mercer County Social Services. • **David Coveney** develops software for EDS in St. Louis and sorely misses New Jersey. **George Fortier** edits medical journals for Mosby Publishing in St. Louis. • **Kara Sullivan** is currently working on her MBA at Notre Dame. • **Kary Dickens** is working for Shaw Data Systems in Boston. • **Kerri Burns Walsh** lives in Manhattan where she works for Sports Training Physical Therapy while her husband Mark pursues his MBA at Columbia. • **Helen Wittek** returned to Boston in the fall to begin her MBA at the Sloan School at MIT. • **Debbie Benson** received her master's in education from Lesley College in May; she teaches second grade in Wrentham. • In early Aug. Kerry Keane, Dawn Gard, Kerri Holmes, Heather Benedict, Christy Schwarz, Deanna Ragozzino D'Agostino and Deirdre Tierney among others gathered on Martha's Vineyard for a bachelorette weekend in anticipation of Kerri Holmes' marriage to Marc Weingard. • **Mike Dupee** is currently working in operations for Green Mountain Coffee Roasters in Waterbury, VT, but he will pursue joint JD/MBA degrees in the fall at Georgetown. Mike hopes to pursue a career in international business/law and would love to hear from other alumni who are doing the same. • On June 29 Hannah Celeste was welcomed into the world by Frank and **Katie Spain McLaren**, brother Daniel, 4 and sister Meghan, 2. The McLarens live in Troy, NY where Katie is a full-time mom, but plans to finish her master's in secondary education and eventually teach. • **Melanie Morse Dawson** and **David Dawson** had a baby boy, Andrew Regan Dawson, on May 28. Melanie teaches kindergarten at Oliver Ellsworth School in Windsor, CT; they live in E. Granby. • **Kate Zimmerman Olivieri** and

**Scott Olivieri** had their first baby on June 19—Allison Christine weighed 9 lbs., 11 oz. and was 22 inches long. They live in Nashua, NH. • **Ken Forton** took his perpetual vows of poverty, chastity and obedience as a member of the Society of Jesus Aug. 13. It was an *absolutely beautiful* ceremony; in attendance, besides myself and my husband Scott, were **Patrick Langhenry** (who had taken the bar and just landed himself a job in a small New York law firm), **Brian Hammer** and wife Tracy, **Rita Rodin**, **Colleen Driscoll**, **Mike Kavney** and **Shannon Stapleton**, who contributed her magnificent harp-playing to the occasion. Ken will spend the next few years as a scholastic doing graduate work at St. Louis University. We love you, Kenny Babe!

## 91 REUNION

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Hi again! Happy holidays to everybody. • **Paula Mazzaferri** married Mark Amadeo '89 in Sept. '92. They live in Madison, WI where both are in graduate programs at Univ. of Wisconsin. • **Angela Siraco** finished her master's at BC in May '93. • **Katie Glover** married her high school sweetheart in April '93. Katie works at Children's Hospital in San Diego. • **Donna O'Neil** also married her high school sweetheart in May '94 at BC. Donna works at Boston's Children's Hospital. • **Sara Linn** married **Stuart Roos** in San Francisco on May 27. • **Elaine Rowley** works for Toys 'R' Us as inventory control manager for the NY/NJ market. Elaine received her MBA in international business from Rutgers Univ. last year. • **Heather Munroe** is in graduate school at Univ. of North Carolina. • **Jill Jenkins** is in graduate school at Ohio State Univ. • **Janet Kerwin** received her master's from BC and lives in Cambridge. • **Rick Savino** graduated in May from SUNY Health Science Center at Syracuse. Rick is in an orthopedic surgery residency at Temple Univ. Hospital. • **Christos Zaharas** is president of CO-JAC International, Inc. in Miami, an international trading company specializing in edible commodities. Last spring he visited **Heather Mulcahy** in Boston and ran his third Boston Marathon. Christos also participated in the 150-

mile Muscular Sclerosis Breakaway to Key Largo biking event. He is working on his MBA at Univ. of Miami. In Miami he hangs out with **Lesli Elias**, who is a sales manager for Moseley's Linens, and **Carol Finklehoffe**, who graduated from Univ. of Miami Law School in May '94. Carol works for Arthur C. Moller in Coconut Grove and lives in Miami Beach. • **Anamirta Otero** was married Oct. 8 in Boston. I was there, along with **Ellen Cullinane** and **Melissa Schwab**. • On June 3, **Bill McCarron** graduated from Penn. College of Podiatric Medicine in Philadelphia. Bill has started a foot and ankle surgical residency program at New England Deaconess Hospital in Brookline; he then hopes to open his own practice in his hometown of Westwood. • In Sept., **Patty Deshaies** entered a one-year accelerated MBA program in marketing at Pepperdine Univ.'s Graduate School of Business and Management in Malibu, CA. Patty lives in Westlake Village, CA for those of you who want to contact her. • **Laura Gricus** received her MBA in international business from Bentley College in May. • **Christopher Kypriotis** received his MBA and heads the international operations of Redsand Apparel, Inc. in Encinitas, CA. • **Rob Saville** and **Katie Strecker** are engaged with a June '96 wedding planned. Katie is in her final year of a management training program for Prudential Life Insurance. She has worked in NJ, Chicago, Minneapolis and Boston. Rob graduated from St. John's Univ. Law School. He works for a law firm in NYC. At the wedding, **Linda Callahan** and **Mary Tenn** will be bridesmaids, but it has not been yet decided whether **John Ar Phillips** will be a bridesmaid or a groomsman. • **Dave Sunderhaft** '92 would like to congratulate his wife **Karen Kalokira** on receiving a master's in education from Northern Michigan Univ. Dave writes: "Karen, I am still perplexed why I haven't seen you and Wonder Woman in the same room!?" • **Karen Cyr** and her husband **Michael Krotine** live in S. California. Karen completed optometry school in May, and Mike works as an account manager for Gallo Wine Co. They plan on relocating to Washington, DC and are looking forward to seeing more of **Karen Duffy** and **Leslie Martin**, who both work in N. Virginia. • **Sean Farley** married **Cheri Connolly** on Feb. 18 at St. Ignatius. BC attendees included: **Jeff O'Neil**, **David Pergola**, **John Reily**, **Matt** and **Cindy Roberts Glennon**, **Joe Cleary**,



**Caroline Morton, Aida Arias, Marie Vega** and Jason Rathbone '92. They honeymooned in Hawaii and live in Quincy. • **John Schultz** graduated from Univ. of Texas Southwestern Medical School in Dallas in June. He started his internship and residency in general surgery at Baylor Univ. Medical Center in Dallas in July. • **Elaine Lockhart** and Michael Antonellis were married June 3 at St. Ignatius. • **David Mann** has been promoted to manager in the Boston office of KPMG Peat Marwick. • **Thanh Tran** received an MBA from the Darden School at UVA in May. • **David Burns** graduated from Columbia Law School in May. • **Adrienne Baker** received a law degree from Dickinson School of Law in Penn. last June. • **Elizabeth Finn** married David Elder in Sept. '94. • Remember: we have our fifth year reunion coming up in May!

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Greetings! If you know any classmates who haven't been receiving this magazine, tell them to call the Alumni Association at 800-669-8430 to update their address. As usual, thanks for the tons of mail. If I haven't written back to you, it's because I've been backlogged—have patience. Also, if you write in with news about fellow classmates, please say something about yourself. Now for the latest news. • **Kimberly Raymond** is entering her final year of medical school at UMDNJ. She plans on going into sports medicine and is currently applying to residency programs across the country. • **George Voegelé** recently graduated from Villanova Law School and is clerking for a federal court judge in Philadelphia. • **Richard Rondano** left his job at Merrill Lynch for a position as an international treasury analyst with GE Capital Corp. in Stamford, CT. When he's not working, Richard keeps busy as a lieutenant with his local fire department. • **Jason Swepson** is a wide receiver coach at BU. Before this, he was an assistant football coach at Bates College in Lewiston, ME. Jason also coached the sprinters and jumpers on the track team. When not coaching, Jason taught weight training. • **Robert Donaruma** is a Boston Police cadet. He was featured in the *Boston Globe Metro/Region* section on May

27. • **Tara DelNero** has been appointed health administrator in Roselle Park, NJ—the youngest ever appointed there. She is currently pursuing her master's degree in nurse management at Seton Hall. Tara previously worked for three years at JFK Medical Center in Edison, NJ. • **Brian Russak** sent me a postcard from St. Petersburg, Russia. He is working at the *Moscow Tribune*—one of two daily English newspapers in Moscow. • Congratulations to all our newlyweds: **Nina Anastos** married Gregory Floyd in Oct. at Holy Trinity Church in New Rochelle, NY. Nina is a television news reporter and an anchor at WTZA-TV in Kingston, NY. • **Mary Sousa** and **Michael Miller** were married in Oct. Mary worked as a psychiatric social worker at Arbour Hospital in Jamaica Plain until her marriage.



**Holger Noreke '92 and Heather Axworthy '93 participate in this spring's Cleansweep, a volunteer program which collects discarded items from student dormitories and distributes them to area social service agencies.**

Michael is employed by Bowne Printing Co. in NYC. They honeymooned in the Hawaiian Islands and have made their home in Edison, NJ. • **Cathy Lapychak** and **Chris Martin** were married this June in Acushnet. They spent their honeymoon in Disney World. Chris is in his final year of medical school at NY Medical College. Cathy is a senior auditor at Deloitte and Touche in Stamford, CT. They currently reside in Valhalla, NY. • **Mary Stankewick** and **Peter Carignan** were married in May on Long Island. They spent their honeymoon on the British Virgin Island. They report: if you are planning a vacation, go there! **Neelum Kumar** was

a bridesmaid and **Mike Ryan** was an usher. There were about 30 classmates there (sorry we can't list all of you!). Peter is working as an account executive for Household Finance Corp. in Braintree. Mary is a technical assistant for Galaher Settlements Co. They currently reside in Quincy. • **Kim Meagher** and **Mike Dinapoli** '91 were married in May at St. Ignatius. Father O'Donohoe presided over the ceremony. Bridesmaids included **Amy DiPrima, Debbie Madden, Terri O'Connor, Margaret Peterson**, and **Jennifer Ward**. Also present at the wedding were **Jennifer Lane, Liz Power, Chris Baldes** and **Peter Joel**. • Speaking of **Peter Joel**, I recently bumped into him on the PATH trains into NYC recently. Ladies should act fast, this guy won't be single forever. • **Kim Moore** sent

me a postcard from Denver, where she was vacationing this July. Kim is currently planning a fall wedding. • **David King** was awarded a JD from Columbia Law School this May. He was named a Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar for his superior academic performance. David will practice law at Riker, Danzig, Scherer, Hyland, and Perretti in Morristown, NJ. • **Charles Krafczek** received a JD from Dickinson School of Law in Penn. • **Paul O'Hara** married Jeannie Arseneau of Dedham in March. Paul is employed as a programmer analyst by AT&T. They reside in Somerset, NJ. • Keep those letters coming.

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By now I would guess that football season is just about over, hockey season is getting under way, and everyone is back to work or school and looking ahead to the next set of holidays. Just wanted to thank all of you who wrote to me this past go-around, your e-mails and letters helped me keep in touch with BC and home during the transition into my new home and lifestyle here in London. If you are in the neighborhood—look me up! • Heard from **Ted Murphy**, who has recently published a new series of murder mysteries for young adults called "*The Belltown Mystery*" series. His first book, "*The Secrets of Belltown*" is hot off the press. Ted asks his fellow SOE classmates to purchase a set for their classroom shelves. • Received a postcard from **Liam Goldrick**, who is currently living in VT. Liam graduated from the Kennedy School of Gov't at Harvard with a master's of public policy. He is currently doing consulting for a public policy group in Concord, NH and is looking for work in the DC area. • **Patrick O'Neil** was working in Boston for Ingalls, Quinn & Johnson Advertising as an ad executive after graduation. He moved to Vail, CO for a change in pace and an improvement in ski conditions. Pat works as director of sales and marketing at InterNetWorks. Reach him via e-mail at <patrick@vail.net>. • Word has it that **Jim Stankard** is living in Southern CA and working on the staff of Arnold Swartzenegger! He started in Nov. '93 on a temporary basis, but has started working full-time this past summer on Arnold's next new movie. • **Jen Packard** is living in PA, bartending part-time and designing flags and banners for her family's business. She's working towards a return to school. • Anyone contacting **Pat Touhey** through the e-mail address I last published should make a note of his new address: <touheyp@aol.com>. Pat is now working for the polling and public opinion firm of Luntz Research Co. • **Nicole Kalicki** was named to the Boston Stock Exchange corporate communications post. She is managing internal and external communications, producing marketing publications and promotional materials and overseeing advertising and



PR activities for the exchange. • **Michael Rigano** recently left Andersen Consulting to work for People Soft. • **Brian Casella**, also having recently left Andersen, is now working for Fidelity. • **John Brownlee** just finished his second summer in Grand Lake, CO where he, **Mike Gaul** and **John Nasasdy** had been working. He has recently returned to Gainesville to teach English at Univ. of Fla. John sends his best to **Pat Goddard** and **Ali Hughes**, who were married Sept. 9. • Speaking of weddings—congratulations to: **Julie Hanlon**, who was married Aug. 12 to **Matthew McAdam**. • **Jen Creedon** and **Rob Brennan** have been recently engaged. All notes of congrats can go to Rob via e-mail at: <brennan@palmerdodge.com>. • **Michele Campbell** and **Ken Scannell** were married by Fr. McFarland at St. Ignatius on June 11. Wedding party members included Alyson Bagley, Joan Monahan, Nick Arrigo, Mark Streeter and Rich Posada. • Angela Wehr married Scott Stevenson in Calif. on June 11. • **Mike Mongillo** and **Maria Boeke** were married in Chicago on Aug. 5. Mike works for Hard Core marketing and Maria teaches first grade. • **Kristin Lynch** is engaged to Francis Carey and is planning an Oct. '96 wedding. Kristin is a third-year medical student at UMass Medical. • **Dana Kawalautzki** is engaged to Brian Lauducci and is planning a June '96 wedding. • **Christine Paterek** and **David Cohen** '91 were married Sept. 16 on Long Island. Though she will be missed at JP Morgan, Christine will be moving to a new home in Centreville, VA. • **Erin Espinola** and **Mehul Ram Gadhavi** are engaged and planning a wedding for Aug. '96. • **Liz Steinle Salamone** is now happily married to her high school sweetheart, Frank Salamone. Liz is an actuarial associate at Paul Revere Life Insurance Co. • Best of luck this school year to our teachers: • **Joan Monahan** is now teaching fourth grade in Sudbury. • **Kelly Wild** has recently started teaching in Spencer. Congratulations on the new job, Kelly. • **Tessie Kopoulos Mower** is teaching junior high English in Lynn. • **Justin Myers** lives in Bethesda, MD, where he teaches Latin and, as his friends tell me, sells cheese. On the school front: • **Sue Walsh** just started her first year at Medical School of New Jersey. • **Mike Hyder** just started his first year at Tufts Medical School. • **Mike Rosenstein** is moving along well in

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his second year at St. John's Law School. • **Jill Fleming** just started her second year at UMass Medical School. • **Sharad Sahu** has recovered completely from a brain hemorrhage that happened in April and is back at medical school in Grenada. • **Alicia DelSignore** has started her first year at New England Law School. • **Scott Reeves** and **Greg Greggo Salls** are roommates in Boston. Scott is studying pre-med at BU and Greg works for Delphi Internet Services. • That's it for this round. If your letters were sent after Sept. 1, look for your news in the next issue.

## 94

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As y'all can tell, I have yet again changed my address. Now that my year of JVC has ended, I am off to new adventures, what they are as of now I do not know. However, if you do have any news, I can be reached at my parents' house. My month off has truly been a month of enjoyment! Ahhh!! FJVs (former Jesuit Volunteers), do not fret—the real world has not changed, you have. Good luck to all the FJVs in their new endeavors. • I think the summer months have made the class of '94 a bit lazy, but I did hear from a few. • **Kristina Torissi** wrote in to tell everyone that she is doing well at Univ. of Maryland pediatrics unit. She also tells us that friends from Baltimore and Pennsylvania say "hi." • **Jennie Osborne** and **Michael Burke** '93 were wed July 8. They are living in Corpus Christi, TX; Jennie is teaching 6th grade and Mike is a Navy pilot. Congratulations and good luck!! • BC's own **Christopher O'Donnell** has had a year of great success. The movies *Batman Returns* and *Circle of Friends* have been big hits. Way to go, Chris! • **Anthony DeLuca** completed his first year at Univ. of Pittsburgh School of Law and was invited to

participate in the Univ. of Pittsburgh Law Review. Keep it up. • It is my sad duty to inform the class of two deaths in the recent months. **John M. Donovan** passed on April 1. He was an A&S graduate and lived in Dorchester. He was struck by a car on his way home from work. A scholarship fund—the John M. Donovan Scholarship Fund of BC Triple Eagles—was created in his honor. **Alex Orig** was accidentally shot and killed in the Manila airport on Aug. 8. He was with his family, visiting relatives in the Philippines. He was an A&S graduate and had just completed his first year of dental school at UPenn. John and Alex will be sorely missed. My deepest sympathies and prayers go out to the Donovan and Orig families. If interested in contacting family members, please call the BC Alumni Association at (800) 669-8430. This column is in memory of John and Alex.

## 95

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Hi, everyone! Now that we're in the magazine, I guess we're officially alumni! Between graduating and moving to the southwest for my JVC year, things have been a bit confusing—so if you've sent notes, don't lose faith! They're probably still in the process of reaching me. In the meantime, please continue to send your news to my parents' house and watch for my address update in the near future.

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Kerr Foster, PC, a Boston accounting firm. Nancy was recently granted the designation of Certified Public Accountant in Massachusetts. Congratulations, Nancy! • Prayers and condolences are extended to the families of Rev. Joseph L. Walsh '39; Sr. M. Victorette Kiczuk, CSFN '49; C. Willis Reed '55; Owen A. McCarthy '62; Rev. Leo T. Riley '63; and J. Paul Cavanaugh '68. May they rest in peace. • *Editor's note:* Please also extend your prayers and condolences to **Jane T. Crimlisk** '74, who lost her mother on May 27. Jane, who has been appointed a probation officer in the Probate and Family Court departments in Suffolk County, has recently completed a third graduate degree—her CAGS in Counselor Training from UMass-Boston.

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**Anne Kohn Blau**, PhD, sociology '92, is currently teaching in the sociology dept. at San Francisco Univ. She is the author of *The Sex of the Dollar* and now has a new book published, with Ita Sheres, by the Continuum Publishing Co.: *The Truth About the Virgin: Sex and Ritual in the Dead Sea Scrolls*. • **Kenneth R. Craycraft, Jr.**, PhD, theology '93, has recently been named chair of the theology dept. at St. Mary's Univ. in San Antonio, TX. His field of study is moral theology. He has published a book chapter and numerous journal papers, articles, academic papers and reviews, including "Why 'Public Theology' is a Bad Idea," "The Seductive Liberal Myth of Religious Freedom" and "What Atheists Know." • The New England Association of Schools and Colleges, Inc. has appointed **Eva I. Kampits**, PhD, Germanic studies '77, director of the Office of School/College Relations, serving more than 1,700 schools and colleges throughout the six-state New England area.

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**Mark Barry** '87 is with Coastal Power Production Co. in Houston as VP of asset management, responsible for managing domestic and international electric power projects. He is married to Michele NeJaime SOE '78; they have three children: Caitlin, 12; M. Ryan, 11; and Timothy, 6. • **Arlene Berger** '88, her husband of 10 years, and their children Jennie, 4 and Alex, 2, recently purchased a home: 5002 Russett Rd., Rockville, MD 20853. Phone# 301-460-8736. She works as staff to the '94-'95 Advisory Council on Social Security (work# 202-482-7119). Any MBAs who are in Washington are welcome to give her a call. • **Juerg P. Hofer** '86 is still enjoying life in Switzerland. Kids (Sam and Max) are growing up fast, and the new job as managing director of Nokia keeps him pretty busy. His phone# is 41-1-802-2424 or e-mail: juerg.hofer@ntc.nokia.com. • In Jan. '95, **Leslie Leete Sylls** '87 bought Greg's Lobster Co., wholesaler and

distributor of live lobster. Want lobsters? Call them: 508-255-1051. They'll ship! She and her husband, BG Sylls III, JD/MBA from BC, now have a second daughter, Stephanie, born June 3, 1994. BG is practicing law. • **Alan Keiran** '70 took early retirement from Digital in '92. He and his wife moved to Boulder last Dec. to "baby-sit" his son-in-law's house in Colorado for three years. For those who remember him, he welcomes letters to: 8223 Sawtooth Ln., Longmont, CO 80503. • **Claude St. Pierre** and **Yumiko Samejima** '91 married in Dec. '91 and live in Japan. Claude works for a Japanese investment firm as a deputy general manager. Yumiko is a marketing manager at Intellution Japan, whose headquarters is located in Norwood. They plan to move to Canada this year with their little girl, Mariko, born in June '94. • **Jennifer Pline** '87 and husband Hans Oettgen had a baby girl, Hannah Louise, in Dec. '94. She is their first child. • **Natalia Lee** '91 worked at Lloyds Bank corporate banking for a couple of years, but decided it was time to move on and explore other possibilities. She is living in Panama and would love to hear from some of her classmates: Apartado 6-5252, El Dorado,

Panama, Rep. de Panama. • **Fran Blanco** '85 has been promoted to director of marketing at Cadapult Graphic Systems in Allendale, NJ. Cadapult is a three-time Inc. 500 Winner. • **Jennifer Lau Manning** '88 married Gene Manning in Nov. '94 at St. Ignatius. The couple settled in N. Quincy after their honeymoon cruise to the Southern Caribbean. Jennifer is employed as a pricing analyst at Staples, Inc. • **Cynthia Bromenschenker Forrester** '86 and her husband Bob are enjoying life in Manhattan, KS with their daughter Carolyn, 2. Cynthia is a consultant for the Kansas State Univ. Foundation. She would welcome calls from classmates. • **Tom Gawlick** '87 is marketing manager with Marion Merrill Dow in Kansas City. He married Gina Grannell in '93, two years after moving to Kansas City from Boston. Any classmates traveling through the Midwest should give him a call. • **Amy Kanyuk** '94 is practicing tax law at Cleveland, Waters and Bass, 2 Capital Plaza, Concord, NH 03102. • **Kenneth Crowley** '80 is project manager with Sapient Corp., Cambridge, a firm that specializes in the accelerated development of client/server business applications. His home address is: 71 Den Quarry

Rd., Lynn, 01904. • **Darrell Austin** '82 is co-chairman of Austin-Hunt Corp. and CFO of Ajax Manufacturing Co. His work concentrates in private investments in manufacturing businesses. • **Richard Kennedy II** '89 was promoted to business development manager at Lotus Development Corp. and has relocated from Boston to Washington, DC. He will direct the sales and marketing efforts for Lotus Technical Support products to government and southern commercial accounts. • **Roy Danis** '84 works at Paddington Corp. in Greenwich, CT as VP sales, East region. • **Donald Savieve** '69 says, "The retirement years are wonderful." • **Oscar Valiente** '86 married Ligia Benetti in June '92. They have a 2-year old-girl and are expecting a boy in Sept. '95. Oscar is busy at his new business, Valiente Fernandez, SA. • **Michael Bergman** '80 recently joined KnowIT!, Inc., a developer and marketer of PC-lan-based Integrated Telephony and Telecommunications custom solutions. Call him at 1-800-576-9537 to find out more or just to say hello. • **John Cocce** '88 and wife Linda had a baby girl, Christine, in Sept. '94. • **Robyn Neusner Fritz** '88 had her second child, Corey Jack, in May '95. She plans to enjoy the summer



### ALUMNI ACHIEVERS

**Alumni Association 1995 Awards of Excellence recipients at May 12 Ceremony included (from back row, l to r):** Alumni Association President John P. Connor, Jr., Esq. '65, LAW '68; Paul Shakespear '71, Arts and Humanities; John J. McNamara, MD, '61, Health Professions; Charles M. Sullivan '50, GA&S '57, LAW '60, Public Service; Hon. John J. Irwin, Jr. '52, LAW '57, Law; Andrew G. Docktor '86, Young Alumni Achievement Award; Joseph C. Hogan, Jr., PhD, '62, GA&S '67, '69, Science; and George A. Downey '61, The William V. McKenney Award. **Front row, l to r:** University President J. Donald Monan, SJ; Sister Mary Cecelia Harrison '66, Education; Mary Roche Sullivan GA&S '55, Public Service; Deborah Boole Smelko '78, Commerce; Frances Mannix Ziminsky NEW '53, Religion; and Alumni Association Past President John H. MacKinnon '62.



## CLASSES

off before returning to work as assistant VP at Minet Gallagher Associates, one of the largest insurance brokerages in the world. • **Bob Levenson** '89 sends his regards to all GSOM '84ers. Bob and wife Maura are having fun with Patrick, 1 and were waiting for his brother or sister in Oct. • **Pat Mullen** '69 says that there is life after Digital. Early retirement was the second best decision in his life. He has been lecturing world-wide and consulting on aligning business and information technology strategies. • **Kathy Ridgely Beal** '89 and Russell Beal had a baby girl, Alexandra Teresa, in Sept. '94. Their son, Andrew, is 3. • As for myself, I was recently promoted to senior sales coordinator for Barry Controls. One of my major responsibilities is developing a Lotus Notes Network for the entire internal and external organization.

## GSON

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Here are some recent achievements of GSON graduates. • **Capt. John Murray**, MS '93, pediatric clinical nurse specialist, was named Air Force Company Grade Nurse of the Year for '94. • **Dr. Barbara E. Wolfe**, PhD '95, received the third BC Nursing Association (BCNA) Award at the annual Alumni Brunch. She received \$500 and a one-year membership in the BCNA. Dr. Wolfe's credentials are outstanding. Over the past two years, her professional activities have included eight presentations at scientific conferences, nine continuing education lectures and publication of eight peer-reviewed manuscripts. • **Pam Carleton Burke** '94 completed the BCSON Family Nurse Practitioner Program. Pam now hopes to combine clinical practice with her faculty role at BCSON. • **Barbara Wallace**, MS '93, has her own health/media consulting company. She produces health education films, radio and TV programs. • **Barbara Power Madden**, MS '73, has been elected to her second term as chair of the Mass. Nurses Association Cabinet on Nursing Education. Barbara has also been elected treasurer of Alpha Chi Chapter, Sigma Theta Tau, at BC. • **Gloria Palumbo Carritte**, MS '60, was named grants coordinator at All Care VNA of Greater Lynn on Jan. 1.

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Rhode Island Superior Court Judge **Vincent A. Ragosta** '51 was honored in May as Man of the Year by the Verazzano Day Observance Committee. • **Arthur C. Weinstock** '56 is the author of the recently published second edition of the book *Criminal Law Procedure for Private Security*. He is associate general counsel for the Mass. State Lottery Commission. • **J. Owen Todd** '60 is serving on the board of editors of *Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly*. • **Edgar J. Bellefontaine** '61 received the Chief Justice's Award for distinguished service to the judiciary from the Supreme Judicial Court of Mass. • **Walter Angoff** '68 has been named a trustee of Colby-Sawyer College in New London, NH. • **Jeffrey P. Somers** '68 has joined the Waltham law firm of Morse, Barnes-Brown & Pendleton, PC, where he concentrates his practice in securities and general corporate law as well as finance and international business transactions. • **Matthew K. Garvey** '69 has retired from his Mystic, CT law practice and is now a Realtor-associate with The BuyRe Professionals Inc. in Naples, FL. • **Frederick N. Halstrom** '70 has been certified as a member of the Million Dollar Advocates Forum, a group of trial lawyers who have achieved a verdict or settlement of \$1 million or more. • **James J. Brown** '71 has been named a federal administrative law judge for the Social Security Administration in Raleigh, NC. • The Hon. **Charles J. Hely** '71 has been appointed to the standing advisory committee on the Rules of Criminal Procedure of the Mass. Supreme Judicial Court. • **Walter B. Prince** '74 has been reappointed to a three-year term as a member of the Committee for Public Counsel Services by the Supreme Judicial Court of Mass. • **William P. Robinson** '75, who serves on the East Greenwich School Committee, has been named to the Executive Board of the Rhode Island Association of School Committees.

• **Seth H. Langson** '76 has been elected to a three-year term on the board of governors of the North Carolina Academy of Trial Lawyers. • **Peter A. Pavarini** '77 served as the project editor for the recently released reference book *United States Health Care Law & Rules*, published by West Publishing. • **Barbara J. Green** '78 has been named VP and senior counsel with Templeton Worldwide, Inc. of Fort Lauderdale, FL. • In Jan., **Daniel W. Sklar** '78 will be an adjunct professor of bankruptcy law at the Franklin Pierce Law Center in Concord, NH. • **Jerry Boone** '79 has joined Harrah's Atlantic City in New Jersey as VP and general counsel. • **Jeffrey T. Letzler** '79 has been promoted to exec. VP at NatWest Markets North America in NYC. He also serves as general counsel for the corporate and investment banking firm. • **John J. McGivney** '81 has been elected to a two-year term as a member of the board of directors of the Mass. Defense Lawyers Association. • **Peter E. Gelhaar** '82 has been named to the executive committee of the Judicial Nominating Council for Mass. • **Lori J. Holik** '82 has been named an assistant U.S. Attorney in Boston. • **Elaine Rappaport Lev** '82 has joined the Chicago office of the law firm of Rudnick & Wolfe as a partner in the health care practice. • **Charles A. Wry, Jr.** '84 has joined the Waltham law firm of Morse, Barnes-Brown & Pendleton, PC. • **Virginia Stanton Smith** '84 has become of counsel to the Williamstown law firm of Grinnell & Dubendorf. • **Evelynne L. Swagerty** '84 has been appointed by Mass. Gov. William Weld to serve on a state taskforce examining adoption laws. • **Richard H. Durben** '85 has become a senior associate with the law firm of Gilmore, Rees & Carlson, PC, which has offices in Franklin and Wellesley. • **Timothy A. Clark** '86 currently is serving on the board of editors of *Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly*. • **William M. Mandell** '86 and **Robert R. Pierce** '86 recently formed the Boston law firm of Pierce & Mandell, PC. • **James V. Menno** '86 has been named an associate justice of the Plymouth Probate and Family Court. • **Eduardo Cosio** '87 has been named a partner in the Miami office of the Chicago-based law firm of Hinshaw & Culbertson. • **Brian C. Courtney** '87 has become a member of the Hartford, CT office of the law firm of Brown, Rudnick, Freed & Gesmer, where he previously was an associate. • **Peter E. Ruhlin** '87 has become a partner in the Lon-

don-based law firm of Linklaters & Paines. • **Kathleen Connelly Moline** '89 has established a law practice in Danvers. • **Marie Cheung-Truslow** '91 is a member of the current board of editors of *Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly*. • **Calvin A. Jones** '91 is now associated with the Newark, NJ law firm of Sills Cummis Zuckerman Radin Tischman Epstein & Gross. • **Parisis G. Filippatos** '91 has become an associate in the New York law firm of Putney, Twombly, Hall & Hiron and practices in the area of labor and employment litigation. • **Robert J. Weber, Jr.** '92 has joined his father, **Robert J. Weber** '51, in a Lynn law firm now renamed Weber, Flynn & Weber. • **Carmen Paniagua** '94 has been elected as an officer of the Mass. Association of Hispanic Attorneys.

### KEEP IN TOUCH

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**Kevin J. Rappa** '92, Melrose, 4/4  
**John M. Donovan** '94, Dorchester, 4/1  
**Alexander F. Orig** '94, Deer Park, NY, 8/8



## CALIFORNIA

### Northern California/ San Francisco

We had some great events this fall! First, we enjoyed the Sharks vs. Bruins game on Oct. 12th—a sell-out event! We also co-hosted a happy hour and pool tournament with the Notre Dame alumni club (nope, they don't hold a grudge!) prior to the "Big Game;" proceeds benefited Project Open Hand. The event was held at Chalkers in San Francisco on Oct. 26. • Our official game-watching spots this fall are Green's Sports Bar, 2239 Polk Street in San Francisco; San Jose Live, 150 S. First Street in San Jose; and Bleachers, 1620 W. El Camino in Sacramento. To order tickets or get involved in the club, give us a call or e-mail president, Mary Castellone, at [maryc@informix.com](mailto:maryc@informix.com).

### San Diego

The club enjoyed a very active summer. In July, we attended a San Diego Padres baseball game, followed by a live concert featuring "The Village People." A great time was had by all, even though the Padres lost the game. • Our monthly networking meetings have been a huge success; we continue to meet on the second Thursday of every month. • Over 50 golfers participated in our annual golf tournament on Sat., Sept. 16 at the Meadowlake Country Club. • And, we all enjoyed those early Saturday morning BC football games here on the West Coast. Let's all keep cheering for the Maroon and Gold!!

## DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

We kicked off our spring and summer activities with a series of happy hours in downtown DC during the months of March, April and May. Approximately 50 area alumni attended each of the three events. At our April event, we raised funds to support **Renee and Tim Minahan '91**, who are participating in the American Cancer Society's Wheels For America program. The Minahans will complete a two-month, 4,000-mile bicycle tour across the US in an effort to raise \$100,000 for cancer research, education and service programs. • On March 26, the club celebrated Laetare Sunday at a Mass and reception at the Dahlgren Chapel of Georgetown Univ. Fr. **William Stempsey, SJ**, a BC alumnus pursuing his PhD in bioethics at Georgetown, presided. Because Laetare Sunday is an important part

of BC's history, celebrated each year at St. Ignatius, we hope to increase participation in our event to coincide with the activities that occur in Boston. • On Saturday, April 29, the BC and Georgetown alumni clubs of DC together assembled 75 volunteers to restore the home of Bessie Johnson, an elderly District resident, as part of Christmas in April '95. During this three-shift, one-day blitz, our volunteer team built two staircases and a picket fence from scratch, hung three doors, tore down a rotting porch, sanded and painted most of the rooms in the house, and cleaned out a very full basement and garage! The effort was supported by BC alumni contributions of over \$600. The satisfaction of the volunteers in a job well done was only surpassed by the joy of Mrs. Johnson in her restored home, a true (early) Christmas gift. • Fr. Monan, Alumni Association president Jack MacKinnon, and Executive Director John Wissler joined 60 area alumni at a dinner held at the Army and Navy Club on June 14. Jack MacKinnon shared his impressions of the numerous accomplishments of the Alumni Association over the past year, and Fr. Monan, the honorary speaker at this popular event, continued to inspire us with his clear, impressive and growing vision for BC! • We enjoyed three summer events, including a day at the ballpark at Camden Yards, alumni night at the Legg Mason Tennis Classic, and an afternoon beach party in Dewey Beach, DE. In contrast to last year's cancellation because of the strike, this year we were able to gather for a scrumptious pre-game barbecue and a Saturday evening match-up between the Red Sox and the Orioles. The Sox prevailed after a lengthy rain delay—go Sox! • Forty BC alumni tennis fans gathered at the William H. G. Fitzgerald Tennis Center to watch the ever-entertaining André Agassi earn his way to the championship title. We were one of 20 alumni clubs invited to attend a pre-game reception sponsored by the Princeton Review. • The summer season ended with a weekend getaway where alumni of all ages (and current BC students, too!) gathered at the Starboard Restaurant in Dewey Beach, DE for happy hour festivities on the Starboard's outdoor deck. • Keep your eyes and ears open for upcoming spiritual, service and social activities! • A special thanks to everyone who has returned their Career Network and Alumni Admission volunteer forms.

## GEORGIA

### Atlanta

This fall, our club met at Chicago Pizza on Roswell Road (Sandy Springs) to watch the BC football games. We also operated a concession stand at the Falcons-New England Patriots game on October 1, with all proceeds benefiting the St. Vincent DePaul Society. • We are currently forming a networking directory of alumni that will be available in January. • We are also taking nominations for the offices of president and treasurer. • If you'd like to become involved or have any suggestions, please feel free to contact us!

## INDIANA

We enjoyed quite a busy summer! On June 4, 20 members went to beautiful Bush Stadium to cheer on the Indianapolis Indians against the Buffalo Bisons. On August 11, accompanied by new members **Joanne Frazier** and **Tim and Ann Finnagin**, we watched Charlie Chaplin's "The Gold Rush" at Corner Prairie in Fishers. The Indianapolis Symphony accompanied. • We also had an exciting fall, highlighted by a golf outing in Batesville over Columbus Day weekend, an alumni contingency to South Bend for the Notre Dame game on Oct. 28, and various outreach activities for prospective BC students from the area. • If you'd like more information about the club, please feel free to contact us!

## MASSACHUSETTS

### Cape Cod

Our annual meeting at Anthony's Cummaquid Inn became a BC extravaganza as we combined it with Fr. Monan's Explorations Conference for BC alumni on Cape Cod. We had 171 attendees who enjoyed an entire day of information and discussions with Fr. Monan and his top administrative staff. • Our bus trip to NYC and the Meadowlands for the BC-Ohio State game was a grand time—a win would have made it better, but life is full of glitches! • The anniversary party at the Cape Codder Hotel had 120 members dining and dancing to exhaustion. Noel Henry's Irish Showtime Band provided music we could all dance to, young and old—a rarity. Several of our members even participated in the late night talent show; they did us proud! • The Football Express bus to all the home games was sold out, with a waiting list. We may have to hire two buses next year. • Our

Champagne Bus to the Pops also had a full complement. • We once again led the Cape Cod Walk for the Homeless in alumni club support, thanks to the continued generosity of our members. • The Golf Outing/Turkey Shoot was held October 16 at the Cummaquid Golf Club. This is one of our most popular events each year. • Our annual memorial Mass and luncheon for deceased members, spouses and relatives of the club was held on November 8 at St. Francis Xavier Church, where a member of our club, Fr. **Edward J. Byington '60**, is the new pastor. • The club's annual Christmas brunch will be held December 10. Members are asked to bring gifts for the retired and elderly Jesuits at Campion Center. Last year we had a wagonload of gifts and cash, which **Henry Welch '47** delivered to Weston. • Congratulations to club member **Jack Connor** on assuming the presidency of the BC Alumni Association Board of Directors. • It has been a pleasure to see the enthusiasm and support our members have been giving the club. Not only has our program seen increasing participation, but it also seems to be joyous participation!

## MISSOURI

### St. Louis

An important piece of news for all club members: we now have a new president. **Jim Zoeller '55**, one of the club's "founding fathers" back in the late '50s, assumed executive responsibilities on Aug. 1. Jim replaces **Pete Maher**, who served in the presidential capacity for six years. He will be assisted by **John Queenan '50** as VP, and **Tom Mug '73**, staying on as treasurer. • Once again, we celebrated both the hot, sultry St. Louis summer and the coming of autumn with our annual combined Summerfest/Freshman Sendoff on Aug. 6. As usual, **Ed and Colette O'Brien** were most gracious, wonderful hosts. Despite iffy weather, we still enjoyed a turnout of 50 members and guests, including many of our 20 members of the Class of '99. • Thanks to **Paul Bernier**, who always works so hard to make the necessary arrangements, club members were able to meet at our usual spot, Two Nice Guys restaurant in Webster Groves, to watch BC football. As a matter of fact, we'll be there any time BC sports are televised! Call Paul (842-1724) for the official scoop. • A final note: many thanks to members who sent their annual \$15 dues. Once again, we had very good participation in this vol-





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untary collection, which allows us to pay for our mailings and cover other incidental operating expenses. If you haven't yet mailed your check, you can send it (payable to the BC Club of St. Louis) to Tom Mug, Club Treasurer, 822 Twin Pine, St. Louis, MO 63122. • Best wishes to all for a happy and prosperous season!

### NEW HAMPSHIRE

Our annual awards program was a very enjoyable event, featuring the club's posthumous recognition of the outstanding lifestyle of **Catherine Marie Dunfey MA '57** (Sr. Francesca, SND), and the presentation of our 1995 Scholarship Award to Ms. Liane Gouthro '96. Dr. James McIntyre, BC Senior VP, participated in the event and spoke most eloquently about the Dunfey family and Boston College. • The golf outing and sports evening was a huge success, with our largest attendance and broadest representation to date. Chet Gladchuk and Jerry York were very welcome guests, both on the golf course and with their after-dinner presentations about athletic programs at the Heights. • Another big hit was our celebration of St. Patrick's

Day. We enjoyed a reception at the offices of Wiggin and Nourie, and then proceeded to the Palace Theatre to see *Cherish the Ladies*. Watch for a repeat in '96! • Our activities committee has finalized our '95-'96 schedule of events. Some features include: *The Nutcracker* at the Palace Theatre with a champagne reception; a BC-UNH hockey game; a possible ski weekend in January; a Beanpot game watch; our St. Patrick's Day show and reception; a spring moonlight dinner cruise on Boston Harbor; and our annual golf outing and sports night. • We also plan to continue with our high school book award, Incoming Freshman Welcome and football game ticket programs.

### NEW YORK

#### Albany

The Capital District Club showed significant support for our Football Eagles by traveling by bus to Syracuse on November 18. The trip was coordinated by **William F. McLaughlin '58** and **Courtney L. Fitzgerald '93**. For information on future events, please give us a call!

### PENNSYLVANIA

#### Western Pennsylvania

We kicked off an active 1995 season with a great crowd for the BC-Pitt basketball game. Area alumni were delighted to be joined by Assistant Athletic Director and Pittsburgh native son, Sam Kiefer. • March 17 was truly a grand day as we joined the Notre Dame alumni club for a St. Patrick's Day celebration. There was no question as to whom "bragging rights" belonged! • Summer ended with a reception in honor of our incoming freshmen and their parents, hosted by **Jim and Rosemary Droney** on behalf of the Parents' Committee. Special guest **Suzanne Cafferty Ross '74**, chair of the Alumni Admission Volunteer Program for Western PA, welcomed the students and their families. Upperclassmen and members of the Class of '95 served as most gracious ambassadors for the University. • Stay tuned for upcoming events!



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positive person who has a great deal of pride in black America and wants to see the positives out there,” his BC roommate Robert James observes. “At our meetings he would say, ‘Let’s discuss issues, and let’s discuss solutions.’”

Pierre’s diplomacy was put to the test when African-American women on campus got mad at the creation of a black group that barred them. “It was a shock,” remembers Antonia Soares ’91, JD’94. “They were organized; they were together. Everyone felt, man, I want to be part of that.” When Soares approached Pierre and some other members about joining, she found them “all very level-headed. They told me, ‘We need to do this for ourselves. If we can come together and talk, you will see us in a self-respecting way.’” Pierre suggested that the women create their own club and that the two clubs meet jointly once a month to enrich each other’s perspectives.

The women took the suggestion. Their club (called Umoja, a Swahili term for “in unity there is strength”) lasted a semester or so. “Talking to my friends now, in retrospect, we think, how silly were we?” says Soares. “We basically had a lot of heated women who wanted to be part of something we didn’t understand.”

As a campus organization limited to African-American men, the Talented Tenth existed in a gray area as far as the University was concerned. “We were discriminating, so we couldn’t be recognized as a BC student group,” Pierre explains. The club received no financial assistance, but administrators helped find meeting spaces and gave the men general advice on how to run meetings, book bands and speakers, and otherwise proceed within the bounds of campus protocol.

Pierre and his friends were left to determine the tone and the content of what went on in the Tenth, and what being a member would mean. They made up the rules from scratch. They doled out the assignments. They kept one another in line. Pemberton believes that the club succeeded in large degree “because it wasn’t top down, administration run.” The club was free to succeed or fail on its own terms, led by a sophomore who had never attempted anything so grand before.

Robert James watched Pierre in action on many a Friday night. “Other people would be going out to a keg party,” James recalls. “Martin might be organizing a meeting—getting the food, finding a room, calling up the brothers to see that they got there. He was the heart and soul of the organization.”

However, Pierre was careful to pass the organizational burdens around. Members took turns

***We are the men our fathers would have become,” Steve Pemberton says quietly.***

***“I think about that every single day. I carry my father’s life with me.”***

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scheduling meeting times and places, determining content for the sessions, and promoting campuswide events such as the annual Spring Fling formal dance. Many devoted time on the weekends to Project 2000, a program they created to prepare a fourth-grade class in Dorchester for admission to college in the year 2000. (AHANA now administers the project.) A different member ran every meeting. “The club wasn’t about Martin being in charge; it was more about *our* being in charge,” Pierre stresses. “What I wanted the members to do



***“Even in high school, I was involved in going beyond the simple mechanics of ‘take.’”***

**GENE REDD '91**



# Terms of endearment

*A report on 250 years of marriage*

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BY CHARLOTTE BRUCE HARVEY



WHEN I APPROACHED MY WEDDING day seven years ago, my grandfather gave me a piece of advice: marriage is not 50/50, he said, it's 90/90. Going halfway is not enough.

My grandparents' marriage took them from Lincoln, Nebraska, to Wheeling, West Virginia, to Plainfield, New Jersey, to Castine, Maine, and finally to Naples, Florida. It took them from America's post-Depression heartland to the boardrooms and country clubs of the East. For my grandfather, it was another kind of journey, too: one toward family. He had spent his childhood as a ranch hand in the care of a storybook-mean aunt and uncle, getting a sometime-education. He ran away at age 14 and supported himself thereafter. He put a couple of years of college under his belt ("I needed to learn table manners," he explained), married and packed up his family and moved whenever and wherever a better job beckoned. Despite his rough, rootless start and unrelenting ambition, he grew gentle and wise, sending shoots into the future like a man-

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grove. He was 85 when he died, leaving a wife, two children, six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Since his death I have missed his advice—nowhere as poignantly as in the arena of marriage. Being married is the hardest work I know, and our culture seems sworn to silence about the interior workings of this most intimate of relationships. Talk shows and advice columns yap endlessly about marriage—“How to keep him turned on!” and “What women really want!” But we keep mum on the subtle, intractable conflicts on which relationships founder daily. They feel too shameful, perhaps, a betrayal of the myth that marriage is simply bliss. No one admits, for instance, that they were so exhausted they quarreled nonstop on their honeymoon or that incessant battling about how to discipline an out-of-control teenager nearly drove them to the courts.

So it was with a greedy soul that I interviewed the five couples whose photographs appear on these pages. Married 50 years or more, they are the experts. I spent hours in their houses, asking question after question. These men and women answered generously, as did still others who preferred not to be identified.

A deal was a deal in those days,” is a refrain I heard repeatedly. The men and women on these pages dated in wartime—over ice cream at Howard Johnson’s, or coffee and a doughnut. They married before, during or just after World War II, with their wedding dates determined by the armed forces. They said good-byes—real good-byes—knowing they might never see each other again.

“Marriage is an institution,” says George Goldsmith, a BC physics professor who retired in 1993 but continues to teach. “If you use the institution to further your own wants and you don’t think about the wants of the institution, you’re not really having a successful relationship with that institution.” In his words and his tone, I can hear my grandfather’s echo. “Also,” George says, glancing at his wife, Sonia, “there has to be a lot of willingness to compromise. I don’t think either of us is terribly stubborn.” She nods.

“Another thing,” she adds, “is that there has to be a lot of change and development and growth in a marriage. We’ve been fortunate to grow along similar paths. We can easily agree on things. Our taste is the same in art and in furniture. Our love of travel is the same. We share our love of music—

classical, jazz, country. If we had developed along diverse lines, things might be difficult, but this makes it easy.”

The Goldsmiths’ experience runs counter to the findings of Professor of Social Work Richard A. Mackey and Associate Professor of Education Bernard A. O’Brien, whose book *Lasting Marriages: Men and Women Growing Together* (Praeger, 1995) was published last summer. Because so many of the spouses Mackey and O’Brien see in marital therapy are dissimilar in terms of temperament, interests and personality, and because so many of their conflicts involve those differences, the researchers expected to find long-married spouses to be similar to each other. But 80 percent of the couples in their study were complementary, O’Brien says: “One person is outgoing; the other is quiet. One likes opera; the other sports.”

When I mention this finding to Clara and Joe Marcantonio ’42, he laughs aloud. “We’re completely different. She’s very proper—cautious. She thinks ahead too much; she thinks about the consequences. Me, I like to be spontaneous.” She smiles, looking a little pained, as he says this.

“There’s a powerful attraction between opposites,” Mackey says. “It makes people feel more complete. The important thing, though, is that you have honest differences. The failure to negotiate differences is what leads to a breakdown of trust, to a sense that the other is not on your side.” Those are the couples he sees in therapy, and by then, he says, they are often past reconciliation.

In their book, he and O’Brien quote extensively from interviews their graduate students conducted with the 120 men and women who participated in the study—all married at least 20 years. The interviews are candid glimpses into marriages at work (see “The voices of experience,” page 35).

The best of unions are not all happily-ever-after. “There has to be lust and bliss in a marriage, but there is also a lot of conflict and work,” says Mackey. “We need to admit that up front.”

When I ask George and Sonia Goldsmith what quality was most important in their marriage, she answers with care and precision. “Forbearance,” she says. “You need to understand where the other person is coming from.”

“After all these years of marriage, we still care for each other,” he says. “Somewhere I feel it’s really wicked to be selfish. After all, you take care of your car. You have to; you couldn’t get along without it.”







FRANCIS DEVER '42

MARIE GAUDREAU DEVER

**M**arriage is like a war,” Frank Dever says. “It’s great to be alive 50 years later talking about it.” In September 1944, he was on a U.S. Navy ship heading home for repairs after the invasion of Guam. His fiancée, Marie Gaudreau, was working for the Army Signal Corps in New Jersey. With his upcoming two-week leave, he planned to return home, “see Marie and, hopefully, get married.” But the trip got off to a rough start. Flying to Chicago, he was bumped in Salt Lake City; from there he was sent to Cheyenne, where he caught another flight to Chicago. “I called Marie to tell her when I’d get into New York,” he says. “I was standing in a telephone booth in Chicago when we decided to get married.”

The Devers had met through Sodality, a Catholic religious and social group, while he was a student at BC and she was at Emmanuel College. He’d grown up in Boston’s Dorchester section and she in Quincy—both Irish-American enclaves. During their wedding reception, September 23, 1944, at a Quincy golf club, she pointed across a fairway. “I’d like to live down there,” she announced.

A half-century later, they have raised five children (all BC graduates) in a house on that spot. Many of their friendships date from their days at BC and Emmanuel. A lawyer, he returned to his alma mater in 1966 to do estate planning for the development office. She taught school for 20 years.

For the Devers, marriage is inextricable from faith. “The sacrament meant you lived by the rules,” Marie says. “Even birth control was out of the question. That’s how we lived. And you had your kids baptized and hoped they would live by the rules, too. We don’t have too many among our friends who are divorced. But our kids do. My theory is that when you have so many children you’re too busy providing for them to get out of line.”

## The voices of experience

### *Reflections on love and hate*

For a study of long-term marriage, Richard A. Mackey of the Graduate School of Social Work and Bernard A. O’Brien of the School of Education interviewed 60 couples, all married 20 years or longer. The following excerpts from those interviews, published in the book *Lasting Marriages: Men and Women Growing Together* (Praeger, 1995), are reprinted with permission.

### *Just a boy*

**Della, married 37 years to Douglas:** He had an aunt that lived across the street from us. . . . He was a very, very shy person. I don’t think he knew that much about girls himself, OK. And he got involved with coming over to my mother’s house and he was so helpful; he’s always been that type of person. He used to help me carry the water and everything. But my mother used to tell him, “What are you looking at my girls for?” And he’d just sit there and laugh, but my mother felt like he liked one of us, you know. And I was just praying to God that it wasn’t me. Because I had no interest in him at all. He was just a boy.

**Douglas:** What attracted me to Della was she was a nice built young lady, you know, nice hips and everything, heavy. She



GEORGE GOLDSMITH

SONIA PERKINS GOLDSMITH

**W**e were so terribly young," Sonia Goldsmith says. "We didn't look that far ahead."  
"That's known as naïve," jokes her husband, George, a BC physics professor emeritus.

They met her first night at the University of Vermont; he was a junior. "That year," she says, "George pinned me." The summer after her sophomore year they became engaged, and the following summer, June 10, 1945, they married on the naval base where George was stationed. Because his father had just died, they cancelled the formal wedding, settling for a simple ceremony. "Our first baby was born on our first wedding anniversary," she says. "In March, George was demobilized. We wrote to each other every day."

"Marriage is a support system," George says. "It's a home, a place to call your own. We surround ourselves with our things and our people. The next generation comes to us for advice and for friendship. For us, the extended family is very important; it has a certain continuity. . . I view marriage as part of that larger institution of the family." An only child, he faithfully hosts annual reunions for his father's relatives and collects snapshots of those reunions in an album in the living room.

Asked what is hard in their marriage, Sonia points to a difference in communication styles: "It's the difference between men and women. George tends to internalize things; I'm much more open and verbal."

He reflects for a while, then describes coming downstairs, hoping to spend time with Sonia, but finding her immersed in a book—unreachable. "I like to read," she says with a guilty grin. Vulnerability washes over his face.

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was a nice looking young woman. And I lived across the street from her, you know. . . I used to see her come out on the porch and something was attractive to me. It's just the way she was built. She was a nice looking young lady, very nice.

**Lilly, married 38 years to Louis:** It happened so fast. Actually, he was someone else's date. I met him on a bus. He was the roommate of this fellow that I had a date with. [My date] said, "Could you fix Louis up with someone?" I said, "Sure." I fixed him up with my best friend at the time. My best friend decided she liked my date; she was hanging all over him. Louis and I were dancing. He said, "Why don't we leave here and go someplace else? Because they will never miss us." So we did; we went for a walk and wound up at some little pub. Since then we were never apart. It was just an instant

recognition of a kindred soul. We started talking and never stopped.

### *Fighting words*

**Homero, married 30 years to Herminia:** We might have been married about a year; we had a disagreement over something, and like the people you see in movies, she got upset and walked off. She went to bed, and about a half an hour later I went in there and she said, "No you're not going to sleep in here." . . . That was the last straw. I turned all the lights on and said that she needed to get up out of bed so that we can talk about this. She said she didn't want to, but I said, "We are going to talk about it because you need to understand one thing: that will never happen in my house. If it ever gets to the point that you and I can't





talk about something, come to an agreement or compromise or something—if it gets to the point where we can't talk, I'll just get my things and I'm out the door. It's as simple as that, so stop and think about it before we stop talking to each other." . . . Really, when we stop and think about it, our arguments are over stupid things. Nothing could be that important.

**Gladys:** When we had an argument, I would quickly yell, "Let's get divorced." Finally Grover said to me, "If you really mean it, say it. If you don't, then don't say it!" We have been married 31 years, and I have not uttered those words again. I did not realize how I was hurting him. I was immature and did not think of it in those terms. He spelled it out.

### *Sex*

**A 63-year-old man:** It's fun. It's recreational. . . It beats bowling.

**His wife:** His sexual appetite goes on and on. I thought by the time he was 50, 55, I thought, Oh, it'll be all over. Oh my God! Oh brother!

### *TLC*

**A woman, married 40 years:** You got to really cleave to one another. . . I need lots of tender, loving care now, more so than I did when I was younger. When I was younger, I didn't need so much. But I need a lot of understanding now and a lot of TLC, and he does too. I notice that about him since he's



JOSEPH MARCANTONIO '42

CLARA ITRI MARCANTONIO

**I**'ll tell you something," says Joe Marcantonio. "She was a very cheap date—coffee and a doughnut."

"You're exaggerating," says his wife, Clara. "Coffee and *half* a doughnut. We'd split the doughnut."

"I was working all kinds of crazy jobs to pay for school in those days," he says. "It was a big deal just to have time to walk and talk together." A physics student (now a dentist) who'd grown up in Boston's North End, Joe was one of a handful of Italian Americans in his BC class.

Although their fathers played cards and bocce together ("my father made good wine—that's the real reason her father would come over," Joe says), Joe and Clara didn't meet until one of her friends offered to teach him to dance for the junior prom. She asked Clara to be his partner. "We've been dancing together ever since," Joe says with a flourish. Clara shakes her head and smiles. While courting, they danced to the big bands, Lawrence Welk and Red Nichols. They went to nightclubs around Boston and began to dance competitively. Ballroom dancing can get nasty, she says, describing one man who stalked off the floor and drove home, stranding his wife. "Joe and I used to argue sometimes," she confides. "I used to be a perfectionist, but I don't have the energy for that now."

"I didn't know it at the time, but I married two people," says Joe. "I was 22 years old when I married her and her mother. Her mother was 66. In those days people didn't live too long, but 20 years later she was still with us. She was 87 when she died." He shrugs for comic effect. "My mother kept us from fighting," Clara says. "I couldn't look at him cross-eyed without her telling me to stop picking on him."

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gotten older. . . Whereas years ago when our children were growing up and he was stronger, he didn't need all this love and all this TLC, but he does now. And he'll let you know it: "I need my time for you to just rub my bald head."

### *Diapers, etc.*

**Eve, married 43 years:** In the first phase, I thought Edward will grow out of it. He'll be a father when the first one's born . . . And he didn't. Disappointment, I guess for that one. In the second phase, I felt rejected, overburdened, unloved. And the third one, I feel loved . . . we're sharing responsibilities. Like everything else, it's just come so far. It's really amazing to see it grow. . . His values were awful in the beginning.

**A wife:** The bad balance is being so totally consumed with kids

that you don't have time for each other. That's a mistake a lot of people make. We have made an effort not to let that happen. We had to work at that. You can really get sucked into putting your kids first. You can't always do that.

**A husband, married 37 years:** I expected her to make sure that she had food cooked for me and my clothes washed and clean, and that whatever I do is all right. . . And now it's a little bit different. . . I'm the housewife now. . . I bring her breakfast every morning in bed. And I bring her pills. . . She's a diabetic; I bring her needle up and whatever she wants done, I do it. I vacuum the house; I do all the cleaning up around here now; I do the floors; I do everything. And I don't even mind it; it don't even bother me. But it did. I thought women did all those things. Men didn't do that; it was a woman's job. And that's the way I thought then. Today I don't think that way; today I do it.











TERRENCE GEOGHEGAN '42

VIRGINIA HOPPE GEOGHEGAN

She was a beautiful girl,” says Terry Geoghegan of his wife, Ginny. She shrugs: “He was captain of the football team in high school, and all the other girls had crushes on him. . . I was nonplussed.” Entering Boston College at age 16, Terry Geoghegan was the pride of Hyde Park, the Boston-Irish neighborhood where they both grew up: he was a physics whiz and played in both the 1940 Cotton Bowl and the 1941 Sugar Bowl.

The two belonged to the same parish, St. Joseph’s, where they met in a production of a comedy, *Hot Water*. They became engaged during the fall of 1942, while Terry was training at Harvard and MIT for the U.S. Navy. But in 1945, when he called from the South Pacific to say he was coming home on leave and asked Ginny to prepare for a wedding, she panicked. “I cried,” she says. “I hadn’t seen him in three years; I told my mother I didn’t know him anymore. How could I marry him?” Her mother calmed her down, and two weeks later Ginny and Terry were married at St. Joseph’s. Outside was a blizzard; inside, there was no heat.

Terry says it never occurred to him to be nervous about marrying. “I’m an optimist,” he says, his wide-open face betraying no trace of past worries. “I just bumble along. Besides, after what I’d been through in the war, marriage sounded easy.”

What has held them together these past 50 years? Terry Geoghegan addresses his wife. “It’s because I’m concerned about you that I stay here,” he says. “We made it work because we knew it had to work. We wanted it to work. We never looked at any alternative.”

“He is my best friend” she says simply. “My mother was my best friend, and now Terry is.”

## voices

than we did when we first started. . . The closeness has improved greatly over the last two or three years; we’re more understanding and more respectful of each other. We’ve become like one. She means my whole life to me right now. . . When one of us has to go, pass away, I hope that it would be me. I want to go first . . . that’s how much I love her.

**Della:** Most people who do go into marriage feel like the storybook romance is going to go on forever. But it doesn’t. It’s a thin line between love and hate. You can love in a marriage and you can hate in a marriage. But you got to be able to recognize it: it’s OK for me to hate. It’s OK for me to love. It’s OK if I tell you to go to hell. Fine, maybe tomorrow I won’t. I had to learn that myself as I grew with him. I said these vows to this man, and half of them I didn’t mean because that was my ticket out of the house. My love grew. . . That’s great in a marriage if

two people can say, “It’s OK, we can grow with one another . . . We’ve had good times and we’ve had bad times. But that’s life.” . . . I think the best thing in life about two people is when they’re able to come back and say, “I’m sorry,” or “I did see it wrong.” He has been a real human being for me. . . As we grew, we grew stronger. I knew that he was good. . . You can feel when people love you. I just loved my husband, and he loved me. There’ve been times in our lives when I could say, “I don’t think this is what I want out of life.” But we always sit down and we talk about it and we give it another go. . .

As you grow and you’re with someone for so long, you learn to get all that nurturing from them. He’s my world. That’s what he means to me. You know, the world out there is the world, but he’s my world.







# At first glance

*Who he is and why he's coming:*

*an interview with president-elect William P. Leahy, SJ*

*Ten days after he was named president-elect, Fr. Leahy was interviewed by phone at his office at Marquette University in Milwaukee. The interview was conducted by BCM Editor Ben Birnbaum and Director of Public Affairs Doug Whiting.*

**I understand that after it was reported in the *Boston Globe* that you liked Pepsi and M&Ms, you received shipments of each from well-wishers.**

[Laughter] It's true, and if I'd only known, I certainly would have said something about gifts to the BC annual fund.

**How does it feel to be replacing a legend?**

You probably won't be surprised to hear that a number of people have asked me that, and I guess the way I look on it is that I'm not replacing Fr. Monan; I am his successor. I am succeeding him. All my life I have tried to be myself, in all the responsibilities that I took on, and I intend to do the same at Boston College. I can't be Don Monan, but I can be myself. And I don't find, at least this afternoon, that I am intimidated by the thought of being the successor to a great university leader. I know there are many things that Fr. Monan did so well, and I'm going to have to learn how to do them, period. But I also know that I have been put in places and in situations where there were many challenges, and God has given me the grace, and people have helped me, to do what needs to be done. So I think God will continue to provide. I

guess that would be my simplest answer: that God and people will provide.

**Didn't you spend some time at BC in the early 1980s?**

I was at BC to research my doctoral dissertation on 20th-century Jesuit education. I first visited the campus in the summer of 1982 and then for about six weeks the following March and April. I worked in the BC Archives, and I'm sorry to say that, like many grad students, I was more involved with the notes I was taking than with my surroundings. But I have always remembered the beautiful Gothic buildings and walking around the reservoir and thinking: they have some nice open spaces here.

**Nice open spaces aside, what's the attraction of Boston College for you now? What did you see here in your more recent encounters that made you say: that's where I want to be?**

Well, first of all and most obviously, BC is very well positioned for a leadership role in not only Catholic higher education but in American higher education. And I say that not only because of its facilities, student body and faculty, but also because of the sense or feel on the campus that the place is ready to move to the next level. I especially felt that in the summer when I began speaking with trustees and administrators and faculty. They know the foundations are there for the next leap forward on a number of fronts, especially in graduate education. People at BC seem to have a sense of self-

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affirmation and great confidence in the institution. And I think part of the opportunity and the attraction of Boston College is its collegial, supportive atmosphere that says, We take intellectual efforts, intellectual dialogue, very, very seriously. It's a priority of the institution. *That* I find very exciting.

**How would you characterize the style of leadership that we can expect to see during your presidency?**

Let me give you some theory first and then get into style. From a theory perspective, I believe that leaders of institutions are expected to supply two things most of all. One is a compelling vision or sense of purpose for the institution. And that comes out of personal reflections and experiences, from assessing opportunities and needs and from talking with the individuals who are part of the institution. I believe the senior-level management and the president bear a special responsibility for articulating that vision in a compelling fashion.

The second thing a leader has to do is to provide clear decisions. Doing that requires data collection and consultation, but ultimately leaders must set a direction.

As for style, although reading and reflecting about issues are essential, I tend to put people ahead of paper. I find I learn a great deal by meeting with individuals or having small-group sessions. I also think leaders have to be compassionate in how they respond to people and issues. At all costs, they have to avoid being overbearing or giving the impression that they don't care. As executive vice president [at Marquette], I stress the importance of having an atmosphere of caring and faith. And that's part of the way I believe leadership occurs.

**The world is said to be divided into theoreticians and practical folk. As a college administrator, where do you fall on that continuum?**

That would depend on the question or issue being put to me. But generally I'll say that I know people who are very fine theorists and abstract thinkers, and that I am more oriented toward the practical. I'm more of a process thinker, probably, so that

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much of what I know and believe results from listening to and reading what others have said and written. I'm pretty reflective, and I take the intellectual life seriously, but I wouldn't call myself a theoretician.

**You've been executive vice president at Marquette since 1991. It was your first high-level managerial post. What have those four years taught you?**

A great deal, to tell the truth. Among the more significant is that I've learned so much about the budgeting, financing and strategic-planning processes. And I think I've learned a lot about how to be a public figure. I was Marquette's representative for

much of a recent initiative to divert traffic from the center of our campus. I appeared at public hearings, I testified before the [Milwaukee] Common Council, I dealt with media, and I know that I'm much more comfortable being a public figure today than I was four years ago. I had to do similar things for Campus Circle, a revitalization plan for the area around the campus, which involved neighborhood meetings and dealing with people who were angry or upset. My job was not only to represent the university, but also to bring peace and understanding to the situation.

**What or who are the major personal influences that have made you who you are?**

I would go back to family. I was immensely influenced by my dad and his brothers and the way they worked together on our farm in Iowa. My dad was a quiet leader in his family, and I learned a lot from him. And then I think that my peer group in the Society of Jesus has had more influence on me, probably, than any other group except family because they not only affirmed me, but they also helped change me. I have always said that people who are like me have affirmed me, but the people who are different have helped to change me. In the Society of Jesus, as I've traveled and lived in various parts of the country, I've had the great benefit of all kinds of people that I grew to know and became close to. I have benefited from some wonderful friendships.



Intellectually, I think the Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley was the shaping experience for me. Earlier, when I studied philosophy at St. Louis University, I wasn't a person who wondered a great deal or who asked hard questions. I loved history and I had a mind for facts and I enjoyed reading a great deal, but I didn't have the kinds of explicit, profound questions that began to surface when I was at the Jesuit School of Theology. For example, I can remember a course in Christology which was key in helping me articulate what I believed and why I believed it. While I was at Berkeley, I became very much a person who wondered and asked questions.

**In *Adapting to America* (Georgetown University Press, 1991) you wrote about Catholic higher education's having failed to achieve the national stature it ought to have. What's been responsible for that failure?**

A huge problem in Catholic higher education is the duplication of efforts. We have not focused our resources and personnel in such a way that we can really have particular schools or departments that are steeples of excellence. So I think that duplication and a kind of localism help explain where we are and why we aren't in a better place. Another key issue facing Catholic higher education and those who are dedicated to it concerns questions of purpose and will. What do we really want to be, and how committed are we to carrying it out? And we need people who have that compelling vision and who can enlist others in the enterprise. Then we have to make the tough choices.

It's the question of the greater good. I think it's pretty clear now that we don't have to have 230 Catholic colleges and universities, that our task is not so much to educate an immigrant population as it is to influence American academic culture and the wider society. We should strive to be the meeting place between the Church and modern culture. To do so, we must have schools that rank with the best secular schools *and* that are permeated by religious commitment.

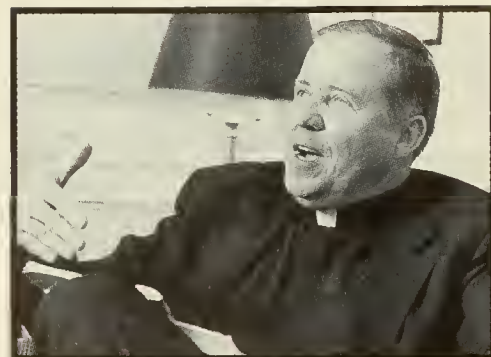
One of the things that I believe Boston College can do so well in the future is to engage in that dialogue. At the risk of sounding like an Eastern elitist after only a few weeks as president-elect, I have to say that BC is located, after all, where the potential for dialogue about intellectual topics and themes is just immense. And because of BC's strengths, it can bring so much to the discourse that is underway—so much more than a lot of other institutions can.

**Does what you're saying mean that some Jesuit colleges will close down?**

I don't necessarily say that the Society of Jesus will close some of its colleges and universities, but I do think that some institutions will become much more known as *Catholic* universities, or colleges with a Catholic tradition, because there may be only a few Jesuits at those schools. I could see us, for example, putting a moratorium on manpower assignments to some institutions; the Jesuits who were already at those schools would stay but we wouldn't be assigning new people there. If our Jesuit schools are to survive, they will do so only on the basis of a deep, abiding vision that attracts talented people and generous support. If I can quote Proverbs 29:18, "Where there is no vision, the people perish." I think that's true of institutions as well.

**How do you generally view the development of American Catholic higher education in this century?**

Before World War II, American Catholic higher education had a clearer sense of purpose—to protect the faith and to make it possible for Catholics to get a college education—than it has had since 1960. Since Vatican II, the Catholic Church worldwide has been involved in a great deal of soul searching about its beliefs and its purpose and how it relates to contemporary society. And Catholic higher education in the past 30 years has been searching also. Although it is academically stronger today, it has generally suffered from not having a coherent, convincing rationale. In effect, we made it our goal to become like the secular schools that were defined as excellent.





# FIELD TESTED

**The Iowa hometown of the next BC president  
has always been small, verdant, friendly—and Irish Catholic to its roots**

**B**ack when they were busy laying tracks across fertile Iowa in the late 19th century, two sentimental engineers for the Wabash Railroad gave their daughters' names to a few of the towns they were wrestling into existence. In this way, an isolated crossroads in the state's rumpled southwest corner acquired the name of Imogene. The town's early settlers included a man and a woman who had fled hard times in County Kerry, Ireland; gotten married in Chicopee Falls, Massachusetts; and drifted west in search of open land.

When an independently wealthy priest named Edmund Hayes offered cheap mortgages and land contracts to anyone who would put down roots in Imogene—provided they were both Catholic and Irish—the couple could not resist. They left their initial stake in eastern Iowa and moved to Imogene. William Leahy, SJ, the newly appointed president of Boston College, would be counted among the couple's great-grandchildren.

The town in which Fr. Leahy grew up is a pocket of Irish-Catholic devotion surrounded by rolling green fields. "If you stand on Main Street, it basically looks like you're in the middle of a big farm," says Veronica Keasling, editor of the *Imogene Hub*, an eight-page monthly newsletter that she publishes from her home. The town comprises a grain elevator, a combination restaurant-bar and the church where Fr. Hayes preached—St. Patrick's. How many people live in Imogene? "One hundred would be stretching it," laughs Keasling. She puts the number of families in town at about 25.

Picture the next president of BC as a teenager attending to chores on the Leahy farm, 30-odd years ago, when his family (including six brothers and sisters, who still live in the vicinity) grew corn, wheat, oats and soybeans. "I can still visualize him walking around in the evening in an old straw hat, or else driving the tractor," says his uncle, Joseph L. Leahy

Sr., a retired lawyer who was born and raised in Imogene but now lives in Omaha, Nebraska. Young Bill left farming life behind at 18, when he began his academic career at Creighton University in Omaha.

St. Patrick's, where Fr. Leahy was ordained in 1978 and where he said his first Mass, remains a powerful presence in Imogene. A brick structure with an 80-foot-high steeple, set atop a hill—"People think Iowa is all flat, but it's not; a lot of people have compared our region to the hills of Ireland," Keasling says—the church is visible for miles around. "They call it 'the Cathedral of the West,'" says Joe Leahy. "I've heard it described as the most beautiful church between Chicago and Denver. It's definitely the driving force in the area." Parishioners come from as far as 40 miles away.

The local style is easygoing and unpretentious. On St. Patrick's Day, town residents paint a shamrock in the middle of Main Street and jam into the Emerald Isle restaurant, which these days is drawing a clientele from cyclists on the recently-opened Wabash Trace bike path. Keasling describes the origins of the *Imogene Hub* in self-deprecating terms, claiming that 13 years ago a local tractor-repair shop asked her to create something humorous to accompany mailings, so that customers would open the envelopes and pay their bills more reliably. At first she was flattered. "Later they told me, 'You were the only one we knew who had a typewriter,'" Keasling says, laughing.

According to Uncle Joe, his nephew is as unspoiled now as he was driving a tractor in Imogene. "Bill is very bright but common as an old shoe, as they say," Joe says. He describes the Leahy family as "thrilled and very proud" of William's latest honor. "It's very interesting to us that the Leahys came through Boston in 1840, and now Bill is returning to become president of Boston College." As Joe puts it in a front-page story in the latest issue of the *Hub*, "Ain't bad for a farm boy."

*Bruce Morgan*



For a time we were so focused on becoming professionally and academically respectable that we didn't give enough attention to communicating our Catholic educational heritage and mission.

**How do you communicate that heritage and mission?**

In regard to Jesuit colleges, the Society of Jesus got involved in schools in 1548 as a way of influencing the social order, and our goal for centuries has been to graduate talented men and women who could be a leaven for good in society.

The phrase that I like a lot is: we are about informing and forming students so that they, in turn, can help transform society. We strive to communicate information, but we also try to promote certain values, and that's where the word *formation* comes in. The combination of informing and forming can lead to the transformation of our world.

And so, if we and our schools are committed to integrating intellectual excellence and religious commitment, then I think no matter what happens, our schools will have a purpose and can contribute immensely to modern life.

**I take it, then, that one place where you'd look for confirming evidence of this commitment is in the lives of students and graduates?**

Absolutely. I would expect students of Boston College or any other Catholic university to graduate with evident competence. I want our graduates to be able to think critically, to write clearly and to have skills that will enable them not only to make a living but also to contribute to society. A level of competence is essential in our graduates if we're going to call ourselves quality universities. But it's more than just competence. We must also graduate individuals who are compassionate and willing to help improve society, who recognize that they don't live just for themselves.

**As you are well aware, Catholic colleges have in recent years become increasingly pluralistic in terms of their faculties and administrative staffs. How important is it that those hired to work at a**

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**place like Boston College be sympathetic to its religious traditions?**

Some of the strongest supporters of Catholic higher education I know do not come out of a Catholic background. I can think of people on [Marquette's] campus who are Presbyterian and Jewish and Lutheran. They teach well and they do fine research and they very much believe in the importance of an education that takes religion seriously. So they're not just sympathetic to the tradition, they are very much committed to it. Others, who may not be as knowledgeable about our traditions, may be contributors in other ways.

They may be committed to

quality teaching and enhancing the student experience. And that's a great plus as well. I think, in the final analysis, that we need to be ready to assist the people we hire—some of whom may not know much about us—to be aware of the richness of our religious and educational traditions and to understand the way Catholicism promotes freedom and helps individuals appreciate their worth and value.

**One of the first things I did when I got my hands on your book [on 20th-century Jesuit higher education] was to look up the number of indexed references to BC. The answer was two. Then I came upon the number of references to St. Louis University—10—and then to Marquette—10. Am I seeing evidence of a Midwest bias here?**

You probably don't know this yet, but the remarkable thing about people from the heartland is that we have no biases, only deep, native wisdom. [Laughter] But to respond to the reference inequity that has recently become so obvious to me, let me say that I'll certainly review the issue when the book goes into a second edition.

**A final question. I know you're a St. Louis Cardinals fan. What will you do if the Boston Red Sox ever play the Cardinals in the Series?**

Cheer for both. [Laughter] But my heart will be with the Cardinals. I knew you'd get around to the hard questions sooner or later. ●





SPORTS

# Mr. Clean

**Jerry York '67, has dusted off BC hockey's reputation;  
now all he has to do is win**

By JOHN OMBELETS

When BC's 1994-95 hockey season ended last March, first-year coach Jerry York '67, could look at the record—11 wins, 22 losses and two ties, including seven defeats in the final eight games—and still manage a smile.

Despite the dreary numbers, York saw signs that the troubled program he had taken over the previous June was shaking its malaise. "Starting around Christmas, it felt like we'd turned a corner," he says. "We were losing a lot of one-goal games, but nobody quit. The work effort was very solid. The feeling was much more positive."

In the three seasons preceding York's arrival, "positive" was not a word often associated with BC hockey. Losing campaigns were just part of the story. The program was in administrative disarray, and discipline was poor, on and off the ice. "We had a reputation around the league and on campus," acknowledges current co-captain David Hymovitz '96. Coaching instability was another problem. Steve Cedorchuk, who left amid concerns that he had let the program get away from him, lasted two seasons. His successor, former Boston Bruins coach Mike Millbury, lasted two months.

Into the breach stepped York. Inclined to see all glasses half full, York was not only willing to undertake the task Millbury had rejected; he was also enthusiastic about it. "Jerry understood what was happening; it didn't deter him one bit," says Athletic Director Chet Gladchuk. "His understanding, patience and confidence were three qualities that

made him well suited for this job."

A fourth was York's history. Born in the hockey hotbed of Watertown, Massachusetts, just a few miles from the old McHugh Forum, Jeremiah Francis York is part of maroon-and-gold hockey lore. Playing center for the Eagles from 1964 to 1967, he won a slew of honors, including first-team All-American in his senior season. He was a member of the 1965 team that won the Beanpot and went to the NCAA finals before losing to Michigan Tech. Furthermore, he did time with BC's two winningest hockey coaches, playing under John "Snooks" Kelley on the Heights and later serving as assistant coach for Len Ceglarski at Clarkson University. York succeeded Ceglarski as Clarkson's head coach and earned Division I Coach of the Year honors there in 1976-77, before moving to Bowling Green in 1979. There, York led the Falcons to six NCAA tournaments, winning the national title in 1983-84. He owns 478 career coaching victories, eighth on the all-time list and just 23 behind the legendary Kelley. But York remains so respectful of his former mentor, he admits with a chuckle, that, "I can't bring myself to refer to him as Snooks. I have to call him Coach Kelley."

Nearly 30 years after playing for Kelley, York has assumed his former coach's place. "There was only one college coaching job that Jerry would ever have left here for, and that was Boston College," says Ken Kavanagh '82, Bowling Green's associate athletic director. "He was successful and very well liked

here, but BC was an opportunity he couldn't turn down. He loves the challenge of fixing things, improving them, and I think he sees Boston College as a chance to win a second national championship under a different set of circumstances from what he had here—with a program that needs his imprint."





York's strong sense of personal and professional integrity have given BC hockey "instant credibility" with parents, players and the media, says Wayne Wilson, a Bowling Green assistant coach who played defense on the Falcons' NCAA championship team. In York's first season behind the Eagles' bench, he showed skeptics how far that integrity went. He levied one-game suspensions against 10 players, including star goalie Greg Taylor '97, and No. 2 goalie Josh Singewald '95, for entering a bar that was off-limits to the team. The suspensions meant BC had to play a game that was important to its Hockey East playoff standing with a third-string netminder and a backup drawn from intramurals. York was serious about shaping up the team's discipline, and he reemphasized that point this fall, when he suspended two players for two games. He described the actions leading to the suspensions as

"off-ice behavior that violated team rules."

"I think what crept into the program was a lack of discipline and a lack of commitment that we've had to address," he says. "This sent a message out to the players and to the people who are thinking about coming to BC that the coach has a set of rules and we're going to live by them. But it can't be just *my* message. It has to come from within the team, from peers, from the upperclassmen."

That has gotten through to the players loud and clear, says Hymovitz. "When coach suspended the guys last year, everybody's jaw dropped. We weren't used to that. But it's been the best thing for us. I hope it's set a standard for us to live up to."

Despite the suspensions and the establishment last season of mandatory team breakfasts and study halls, York's style is not really General Patton; there's

also a good deal of Mr. Rogers mixed in.

"He comes to the rink upbeat every day," says co-captain Don Chase '96. "If you make a mistake on the ice, he doesn't yell or get ticked off. After a loss, he keeps everybody together and working in the same direction."

That attention to morale paid off at Bowling Green. The Falcons opened one season with a seven-game losing streak. But with York pushing the positive motivational buttons, says Wilson, the team turned around and won the league title. "We could have just folded up, but he wouldn't let us."

A hint of those qualities—the patience, the positive attitude, the teacherly approach to coaching—is evident in a York practice. As players whirl and dart around Kelley Rink, York is a calm, watchful presence. He uses brief blasts of his whistle to gain the team's attention, then diagrams plays on a small rink-side blackboard. When he does raise his voice, it's to shout encouragement.

York says he sees good reason to be encouraged. Last year's improved work ethic has carried through to this season. A key to winning hockey, he preaches, is a year-round commitment to conditioning (a sign in the hockey office reads, "There comes a time when Winter will ask you—What were you doing all summer?"). York says his team has made that commitment. "We have 18 returning lettermen, and all 18 stayed here this summer to work out."

Second, he says, the core of BC hockey—its winning tradition—is still a powerful force in recruiting and motivating players. "I take heart seeing USC football coming back this year, because I see similarities to us. We're in a down cycle now, but Boston College hockey is entering its 74th season, and look at all the great teams that encompasses. Tradition-wise, not many can match us. It's just a matter of time before we return to the top."

**Jerry York '67, in Kelley Rink—the general demeanor is Mr. Rogers, but his players have seen the tough side.**



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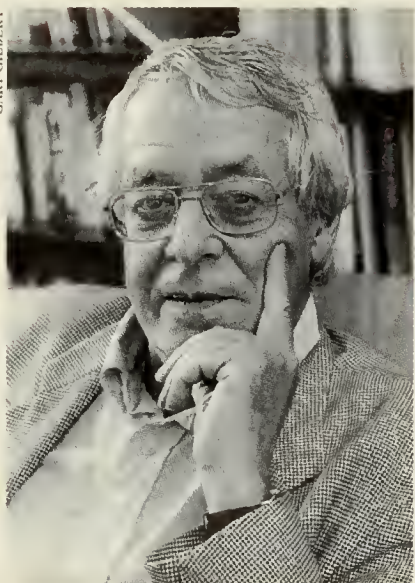




## ADVANCEMENT

### SEAT OF LEARNING

*University's first faculty chair in philosophy honors Fr. Adelman*



**Jacques Taminiaux is the first to hold the Adelman Chair in Philosophy, named in honor of his former office mate and colleague.**

**J**acques Taminiaux, an internationally recognized expert in Continental philosophy, who became a full member of the faculty in 1989, has been appointed the University's first Adelman Professor of Philosophy. The chair, named in honor of former philosophy department chairman Frederick Adelman, SJ, was established with a gift from Patrick and Lillian Carney. Mr. Carney '70, is a University trustee and the chairman and chief executive officer of the Claremont Companies. "The special significance of this chair is that it simultaneously honors a distinguished philosopher, Jacques Taminiaux, and celebrates the life of one of BC's most respected and loved professors, Fr. Adelman," said Academic Vice President and Dean of Faculties William B. Neenan, SJ.

Fr. Adelman taught philosophy at BC from 1954 until his retirement in 1985, chairing the department from 1956 to 1965. When Taminiaux first came to BC as a visiting professor from his native Belgium in 1968, he shared an office with Fr. Adelman. "I soon realized," said Taminiaux, "that not only was Fr. Adelman an excellent scholar, but he was also really worshiped by his students."

Among those students was Carney, who said his motivation in funding the chair was to do something special for his lifelong friend. "Fr. Adelman is a wonderful person," Carney said, "and thousands of BC alumni have had the pleasure of knowing him over the years, so it is appropriate to remember the achievements of

his life while recognizing the fond memories of our friendship."

Taminiaux is the author of 10 books and more than 120 articles, in addition to several translations and edited collections. In 1977 he received the Prix Francqui, an honor awarded by the king of

Belgium to an outstanding scholar of that nation. "Jacques is one of our big stars," said philosophy chairman Richard Cobb-Stevens. "His presence adds to the prestige of the philosophy department, just as the formation of the Adelman Chair does."

## VALUE ADDED

Fides Society, the organization of donors who give \$1,000 or more, has added a package of new benefits to reinforce its theme of keeping its members closely connected to the BC community.

Fides has always offered a roster of annual events, which range from a black-tie dinner to the Fides skating party, a family affair held on the Conte Forum ice. Starting this year, members will receive the following added benefits:

- An invitation to the Fides Business Breakfast Forum, which will feature talks by alumni who are leaders in management, finance and real estate.
- A subscription to the faculty-staff biweekly paper, *The Boston College Chronicle*.
- Delivery of the twice-yearly publication *FYI*, which lists lectures and events on campus.
- Access to the Fides Ombudsman, an 800 telephone line that members can call for information and other services.

"We want people to realize more than ever that there are substantial benefits that go with joining Fides," said University Trustee Patrick Carney '70, chairman of the Fides Executive Committee. "Giving to BC is a two-way street—the benefits flow in both directions. In addition to the tremendous satisfaction of supporting a great university, you get these tangible links to the BC community."

The benefits are available to all members, including Young Fides (alumni who have graduated within the previous nine years and who make a \$1,000 gift over two years), Fides (alumni, parents, friends and faculty who give \$1,000 to \$2,499 annually) and Fides Patrons (those who give \$2,500 to \$4,999).



## FAST TRACK

*BC sets a two-year fund-raising goal of \$50 million, including support for financial aid and a new sports complex*

Over the next two years, Boston College aims to raise \$50 million in pledges for financial aid, unrestricted giving and a new athletic center that will replace the Flynn Recreation Complex. The fund drive, which began June 1 and will run through May 31, 1997, comes on the heels of an effort that raised \$80 million in new pledges between January 1992 and May 1995.

"These next two years are an important time, with a new president coming and several major building projects commencing," said Robert Murray '62, chairman of the Trustee Committee on Development. "Happily, the University has never been better positioned to reach its goals. We have built tremendous forward momentum in every area."

To continue that momentum

"it's important that Boston College maintains its tradition of offering an outstanding education to talented students regardless of their economic circumstances," Murray said. "It spreads opportunity, it keeps the student body diverse and it helps BC compete for some really gifted kids." Increasing endowments for scholarships and general financial aid has been a top priority for the past several years; this year the University budgeted a record \$48 million for financial aid.

BC trustees, at their September 15 meeting, approved the concept of replacing the Flynn Complex with a larger sports facility; \$8 million for that project will be raised over the next two years. Patrick Carney '70, chairman of the Trustee Committee on Buildings and Property, said

the new complex is needed "to meet the demands of today's students. They are mindful of physical recreation and fitness, and the RecPlex lacks the space to accommodate the campus community fully and comfortably."

The plans call for a six-story building with more than twice as much usable space as the Flynn Complex, and several acres of new green space. Groundbreaking is set for spring 1997, with a completion date in 1999.

Over the next two years, fund-raisers will continue to ask donors to make unrestricted gifts—"the backbone of our funding program," said Vice President of University Relations Mary Lou DeLong. "They give the University the flexibility to meet needs as they arise." ●

### LONG SHOT

Joseph F. Alberti '65, MBA '72, of Atlanta won a pair of season tickets to BC home football games this fall in a raffle sponsored by the Office of Development. Alberti, whose consulting job for Bell Research Corp. occasionally takes him to Boston, was among hundreds who entered the drawing by mailing their business cards to More Hall 220. The raffle helped the University update its alumni records, and it gave Alberti and his three sons, Chris, Jeff and Tom '95, the pleasant dilemma of deciding who would get to go to which games. Because they all wanted the tickets to the Miami game, Alberti devised a Solomonic solution. He gave those tickets to one of Chris's college friends.

### MARVELOUS, MARVIN

Award-winning composer and conductor Marvin Hamlisch and the Boston Pops Esplanade Orchestra performed a musical tribute to dancer Gene Kelly during the third annual Pops on the Heights concert on September 15. When Hamlisch wasn't leading the orchestra through "Singin' in the Rain" or Pops standard "Stars and Stripes Forever," he was offering the Conte Forum crowd good-humored banter. The event raised \$1 million for BC's scholarship endowment.

### IN TRIBUTE

The following are among named endowed funds recently established at Boston College. New funds may be established, and contributions to existing funds made, through the Office of Development, More Hall.

#### STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel J. Griffin '52, Scholarship Fund

The Amanda V. Houston Traveling Fellowship Fund



#### CUT-UPS

Wielding scissors at the September 19 rededication ceremony for Fulton Hall are (from left), Associate Professor Michael McFarland, SJ, Leonardine Pacombe '96, CSOM Dean John J. Neuhauser, Board of Trustees Chairman Geoffrey Boisi '69, and University President J. Donald Monan, SJ. The afternoon's events included a keynote speech by Xerox Corporation Chairman Paul Allaire and a reception for major donors to the \$22.4 million project.

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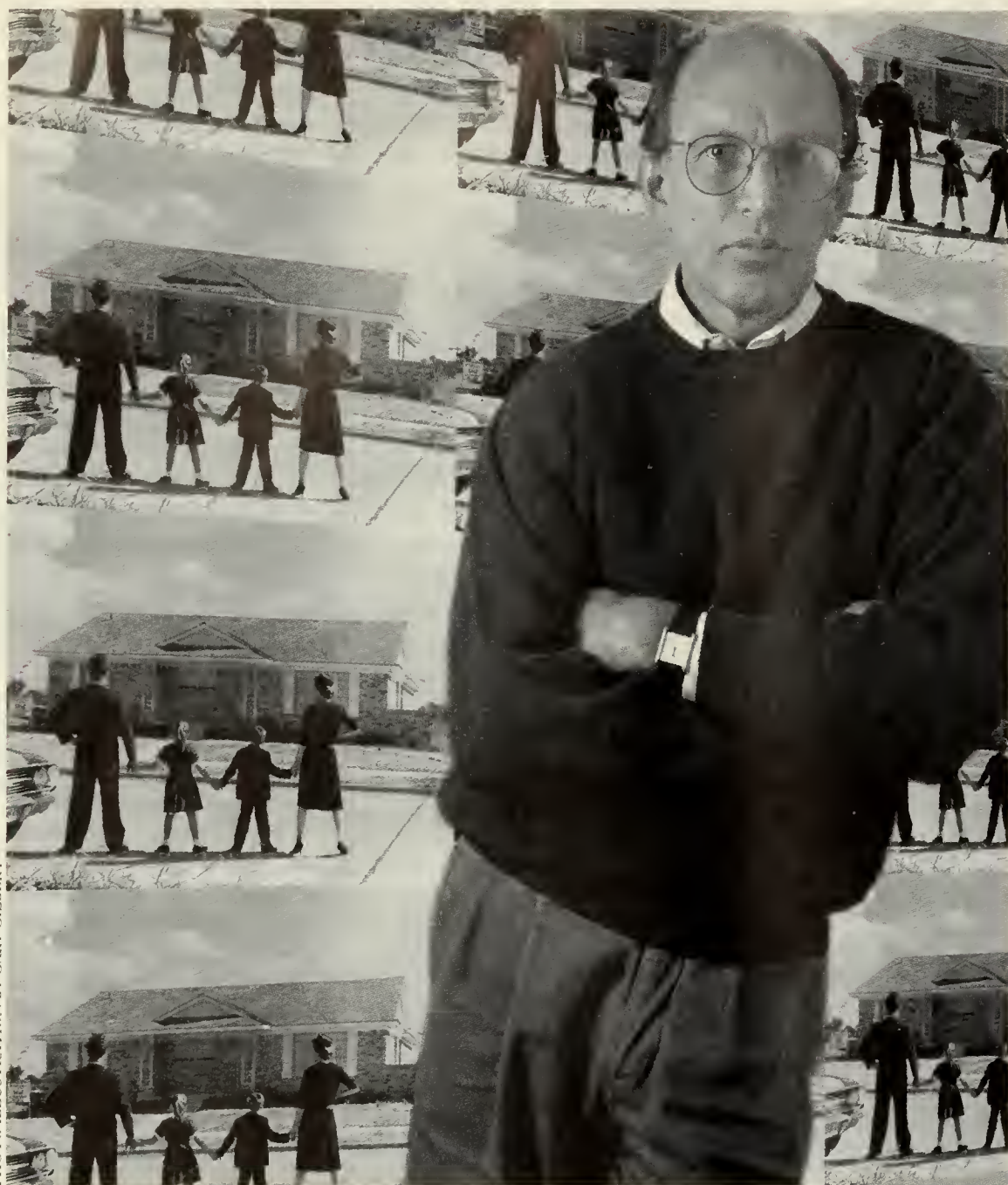


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# Slide show

## THE GROWING GAP BETWEEN RICH AND POOR

BC economist Peter Gottschalk argues that income inequality is at an all-time high in the United States. And although he says it results from market forces rather than public policy, that doesn't mean Washington should just sit back and watch the slippage. An interview by senior writer John Ombelets.

**How does income distribution in the United States compare with that in other industrialized nations?**

The United States has become the most economically stratified of all the developed nations in terms of income inequality—that is, the disparity between the annual income of a society's lowest earners and that of its highest earners.

According to 1993 U.S. census data, the bottom 20 percent of wage earners received only 3.5 percent of the total before-tax income taken in by Americans; the top 20 percent received 49 percent of before-tax income. The figures on total wealth are even more dramatic. According to Federal Reserve Bank figures for 1989, the wealthiest 1 percent of U.S. households owned almost 40 percent of the country's wealth, and the top 20 percent—households earning \$180,000 or more—owned 80 percent of the nation's wealth. Since 1989, that gap has grown.

Income inequality in the United States has risen dramatically. The premium on a college education has increased, so the income spread between college graduates and those without a college degree has widened. Older workers are earning more than younger workers. That has not been true everywhere. In some developed nations, a jump in the number of college graduates has tended to depress the wages of college-educated workers. Other countries are feeling the effects of a baby bust, which tends to keep wages high for young workers because they are in shorter supply.

Here, we've had an enormous increase in demand for skilled workers, and those currently tend to be older workers. Increased use of computers is an obvious cause. Computers allow people who have skills to do more and more work, while others without those skills are displaced into lower-paying



jobs—stocking the shelves in grocery stores, for example.

Increasing foreign trade is another important piece of the picture. The United States tends to import goods that are produced by less-skilled workers, such as clothing and footwear, and to export things that take lots of skill, such as financial services and technology. Our unskilled workers are competing with lower-paid unskilled workers overseas.

### **When did the income gap begin to widen in the United States?**

Well, the gap took hold during the 1970s, and that's important to recognize because people often view this as a purely partisan debate. Lower- and middle-class incomes have decreased during both Democratic and Republican administrations, a clear indication that this gap is not something one political party causes. It's the result of fundamental changes in the economy that government can't easily control. Yes, we've discovered a faster way to make dresses, and, yes, it puts a lot of people out of work. But that's not something government can, or should, control.

We're talking about basic market forces: a decline in the number of jobs for unskilled and semiskilled workers, accompanied by a relative decline in the number of workers with highly desirable skills; technological advances that have made some jobs obsolete; and the rise of the service sector, accompanied by the fall of basic manufacturing. These are long-term trends; we're simply riding out a long period of rising inequality.

This has happened before. In the late 1920s and early 1930s, there was a big increase in income inequality. It's part of the economic cycle: the demand for skilled workers goes up, the demand for unskilled workers goes down. Or the rate at which people graduate from college rises, lowering wages for skilled workers because there are more of them in the workforce.

These effects are inevitable in a market economy because there is nothing to

ensure that the market is going to give the desired income distribution. Markets don't care who gets what. They divvy out rewards, and they don't care if the rewards go to those in need or to the already privileged.

### **If this gap is the result of inevitable market trends, why should we be concerned about it?**

Because there is no sign that it is going to reverse and because proposals coming out of Washington to cut safety-net programs for the poor and to cut taxes for the well-off would reinforce the market trends. I certainly don't think things are going to improve. The federal budget deficit is too large to enable us to expand social programs. If we manage not to tear apart the current safety net and if we are lucky enough to see no further increase in income inequality, then we'll struggle along with a poverty rate around 13 percent. That's still higher than it was 20 years ago, but it's the best-case scenario.

The worst-case scenario is that the market continues to force down the demand for workers and we tear apart the social safety net, in which case we should worry about creating a dual-class system in the United States. If we had a large number of people who felt alienated from the mainstream, who felt they had no stake in the system, I would worry. I don't think there would be riots in the streets, but the social contract could truly suffer. The Great Depression is not a bad example: Masses of people lost faith in democracy and capitalism, and that could happen again if, on top of everything else, we go into a major recession.

### **Is it government's business to try to mitigate the impact of the free market?**

Government is the institution that we create in order to provide for the collective good. Why shouldn't we use it for that purpose? There is nothing in the U.S. political system that says government can't try to offset undesirable conditions that the market creates. The market does many things well, but cre-

ating a society in which working people don't fall below a certain income level is not one of them.

### **You note that during the past decade almost all countries with modern industrial economies have seen a widening in the income gap among the upper, middle and lower classes. How have other countries kept their income gaps from growing as large as in the United States?**

Among the highly industrialized countries, the United States probably offers the least social protection to those at the bottom of the income pool. In Scandinavian countries that have experienced increases in inequality, it is clear that their stronger social safety nets kept the increases small.

Much closer to us geographically and in terms of the economic culture is Canada, which also provides a stronger safety net. Canada has experienced a large increase in inequality of earning power but a smaller increase in inequality of income. The government stepped in and decreased the taxes of lower-income folks and increased transfer benefits. The fact is, countries that offer strong social safety nets have had rates of economic growth similar to countries that sit back and watch people slip down.

### **Critics claim that the U.S. income gap is considerably smaller than you make it out to be. They say dire assessments such as yours don't take into account the benefits of in-kind government-assistance programs, such as food stamps.**

Although there is no disagreement among researchers who work in this area, in the popular press it has become a growth industry to deny the increase in income inequality. These attacks often tend to be simply specious. For example, the question of food stamps: all economists agree that in-kind programs such as food stamps and Medicare do make the income distribution more equal. But studies of income distribution that include those programs show the same trend in inequality.

Another argument I hear is that, al-



though income distribution is less equal, inequality doesn't matter, because U.S. society is economically mobile. This argument maintains that low-income people aren't going to be in that state permanently: they can move upward. Well, that reasoning would hold if mobility had increased enough to offset the rise in income inequalities. But it hasn't; the degree of mobility has not changed in the United States.

**How would the Contract with America affect the income gap?**

The Contract with America would weaken the safety net further. But this is not just a Republican policy: one of the largest changes—tax cuts for middle- and upper-income earners—appears in President Clinton's budget proposal as well. Meanwhile, a program that has been among the most beneficial for the working poor—the earned-income tax credit—is on the chopping block. It gives substantial tax credits to working people who have low earnings—a credit as high as \$3,700 for a family of four with an annual earned income of \$7,000. The program has been historically popular with both conservative and liberal administrations: conservatives like it because it encourages work, and liberals like it because it helps low-income people. But under current congressional proposals, it would be decimated—in effect *raising* taxes on low-income people.

The retort given by defenders of the contract is that low-income people will benefit from the increased economic growth that goes along with lower taxes. This is the old trickle-down-economics argument used by the Reagan Administration in order to cut taxes for the wealthy. But poverty rates have increased steadily over the past two decades, a period of substantial economic growth. In 1973 the U.S. poverty rate was about 11 percent; today it is about 14 percent.

**Do you have numbers on the movement of the middle class into lower and higher economic classes?**

What you're talking about is economic mobility, and that hasn't changed. Think of a game of musical chairs, with chairs of three different comfort levels, each representing a different income level. Income inequality is represented by the number of chairs of each type. Lots of the least comfortable chairs is equivalent to lots of poverty. Mobility is the speed and ease with which people are able to move from one chair to another. Right now, we have more chairs in the two extremes and fewer in the middle, but the likelihood of winding up in a different type of chair hasn't changed.

**Does income inequality at home have any impact on U.S. competitiveness abroad?**

In the short run, it probably has very little impact. Our low-wage workers give us a slight competitive advantage over other developed nations, but that is marginal. Much more important is the long-term impact. A large proportion of our population clearly lacks the resources to invest in themselves and increase their skills, and in the long run those people are going to be less productive and less able to compete in the world market. That is obviously bad for the economy.

This situation is something government could help, but instead the trend is to cut back on education and training. People don't seem willing to bear the immediate costs of investing in education, because the benefits are so far down the pike.

Germany's ability to adapt to the decrease in demand for less-skilled workers has been striking. Germany experienced almost no increase in inequality, in spite of the shift in demand. This seems to be at least partially a result of the nation committing a disproportionate amount of educational resources to those at the bottom

of its workforce. If you look at educational test scores for the bottom third of German workers, their performance is vastly superior to the performance of their counterparts in nearly every other country. In the United States we don't know what to do with the bottom third of our workforce, but Germany has managed to respond to changes in demand. And in turn, Germany has avoided the sharp drop in wages of less-skilled workers that other countries have experienced.

**How about welfare proposals, which aim to force adults off welfare and back to work within a specified amount of time? Proponents say those programs will save the government money and get people back in the workforce.**

The issue here is whether welfare recipients can become self-supporting given the skills that they have. The average wage of a single working mother is less than \$6 an hour. You don't have to be an accountant to know that kind of wage won't support her family and pay for child care. A good training program might enable her to earn \$7 or \$8 an hour. But \$8 an hour comes to \$16,000 a year, maximum. That's still not much to raise a family on. So the notion that requiring people to work will automatically make them self-supporting is simply false. If you require people to work, you have to be prepared to supplement their wages and provide day care.

The next hurdle is the availability of jobs. Even with training, some people still can't find a job that will help them out of poverty. We need a dual strategy—to provide training and also to guarantee that government will provide a job as the last resort.

What we have to face is that welfare as it currently exists is the cheap and dirty solution; reforming welfare by putting people to work will cost more, not less, because most chronic welfare recipients possess very low skills. We shouldn't fool ourselves into thinking real reform will save money in the short run. ●



# Quick study

**BANK PRESIDENT  
THOMAS R. VENABLES '80**

**T**om Venables '80, joined Grove Bank as a teller, while working his way through the Evening College. By age 25 he was treasurer, and at 30 he was named president and CEO.

In a decade he has seen Grove, a community bank in Newton, Massachusetts, grow from \$60 million in assets to more than \$540 million—with \$400 million in deposits. In the world of mega-financial institutions, Venables says, community banks have a place: handling financial deposits, loans and mortgages. The key, he says, is to make them as convenient as the big banks. "Our customers want to be able to call 24 hours a day," he says. "They want to use their ATM card anywhere in the world—with no fee. We have to eliminate the disadvantages of small banks; we can do that with technology. Then we can add the personal-touch component."

While studying finance at BC, Venables rose through the ranks at Grove; when he graduated, a competitor offered him the treasurer's slot. "I felt bad, since [Grove Bank] had helped pay for my degree," he says. But his future there looked dim: the treasurer was years from retirement age, and others were ahead of Venables on the promotion ladder. Reluctantly, he told his bosses he was leaving. To his surprise, they countered. The treasurer was thinking about retiring early; would Tom like *his* job?

"It was perfect timing," Venables says. "The prime was sky high, and I was the kid who would get us into the new technology. I hadn't learned the old ways, so I didn't have to adjust to learn the new." Five years later, when the president announced his own retirement, Venables threw his hat in the ring, proposing to take the bank public. The board took the risk. "At first I felt a little funny at industry conferences with the CEOs of other banks," Venables admits. "I was definitely the youngest. But then this went gray." He points to his hair. "That helped a lot."

*Charlotte Bruce Harvey*



GARY GILBERT





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## CHEMICAL REACTION

**Marc Snapper**, who joined the chemistry faculty as an assistant professor in 1993, won this year's College of Arts and Sciences Distinguished Junior Faculty Award, given to help fund independent research by a non-tenured faculty member. Snapper—shown with chemistry students **John Cirrito '98**, left, and **Gloria Hofilena '96**—uses computers to predict the outcomes of chemical reactions, work that promises to open new avenues of pharmaceutical research.

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